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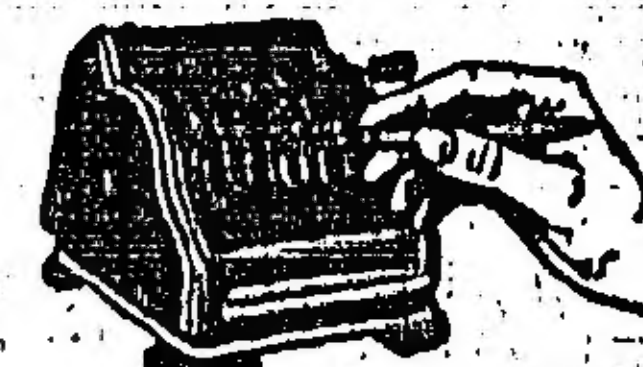
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## Inevitable Decision

WHILE the decision of British firms to close down their branches in China is not wholly unexpected, it is impossible to avoid a feeling of deep regret that the Chinese Communist Government has created conditions which have left British interests with no alternative. The Peking regime can derive only hollow satisfaction from the final result of their consistent policy of embarrassing and frustrating British commercial enterprises within China by the imposition of impossible and impracticable labour conditions and unreasonable taxes. British interests stand to lose substantial assets, but these are not irreplaceable, and in the long run it will be the people of China who will suffer most by the irresponsible behaviour of their present-day political leaders. Benefits derived from the enterprise of British and other foreign commercial undertakings in China have not been one-sided. The Chinese workers have shared them, and with the elimination of these business firms from the hinterland, the interests and welfare of these workers will assuredly suffer. According to London reports the note handed to the Peking Government by the British Charge d'Affaires made no reference to compensation for the estimated \$200 million in assets which British concerns in China will have to surrender when they finally close down operations. It is assumed, however, that the question will be raised in due course. The idea of allowing such assets (the right title to which cannot be in doubt) to be lost by default is repugnant. Moreover, any such action would create an unfortunate precedent.

THE British Government, while giving official support to the weighty decision made by private companies to close down their offices in China, does not intend to cut off its diplomatic relations with Peking. There is a measure of wisdom in the decision and one which Hongkong fully appreciates. To have injected diplomatic and political considerations into a wholly commercial and financial problem would have added unnecessary confusion to an already complicated situation. Indeed, it is quite certain that the diplomatic assistance of Mr. Leo Lamb in Peking will be required to expedite the winding up of the British business houses in Shanghai, Tientsin and elsewhere on the mainland. His continued presence in Peking is essential for that reason alone. Furthermore, his services will be required if and when the British Government seeks compensation for surrendered assets. The diplomatic issue apart, Hongkong is interested to see how, if at all, it is affected by the eventual withdrawal of British firms from China. It is difficult to subscribe to one opinion expressed in London that the Colony will find itself isolated. Our ability to retain contacts with China need not be impaired by the absence from the hinterland of the more important British concerns who have headquarters here. We have a capacity for extending and receiving goodwill, and neighbourliness, and we have demonstrated in the past an aptitude for successfully dealing with problems created by extraneous circumstances.

# Withdrawal From China Does Not Mean End Of Trade

## Tunisia Reforms Possible

Tunis, May 19.  
France may introduce immediate reforms for greater self-government in Tunisia to end the present tension in the country, usually reliable quarters said here tonight.

Such a move would mean that the French Government would abandon the plan of setting up a joint Franco-Tunisian Commission to discuss the application of such reforms.

This Commission was to have met earlier this month, but despite all French efforts no representative Tunisian leaders were willing to be associated with it. The general attitude of Tunisian leaders was that the proposed French reforms fell short of minimum Tunisian demands.

With the Muslim fast of Ramadan beginning this week, the planned commission, if it was ever set up, would not be able to start its consultations until June, and the reforms would not become operative until late in the summer.

**IMMEDIATE ACTION**  
The French authorities are, therefore, considering the immediate introduction of the reforms before the situation in the country deteriorates, in formidably said.

Observers linked these forecasts with the present visit to Tunis of the French Minister for Ex-servicemen, M. Edouard Temple, who has many close links with Tunisian leaders.

Tahar Ben Amar, one of the most prominent moderate Nationalist leaders, who has conferred with M. Temple, said last week that riots might spread in Tunisia if France did not take some action to meet Nationalist demands.

Unconfirmed rumours were circulating tonight that Count Jean de Hauteclocque, French Resident-General, might resign, as he was not in agreement with new instructions which M. Temple was said to have brought with him from Paris.

Anxiety was growing among members of the French colony here that M. Temple's visit might lead to "appeasement" of the Nationalists.—Reuter.

## Steel Decision Postponed

Washington, May 19.  
The United States Supreme Court today recessed until next Monday without announcing a decision on President Truman's seizure of the steel mills.

There was no indication of when the court would make its decision known.

The nation's highest tribunal has been considering for six days the constitutional issue whether Truman had exceeded his powers in seizing the steel industry on April 8 to avert a strike over wages.—Reuter.

## Madman Takes Pot Shots At Pedestrians

North Wildwood, N.J., May 19.  
A mental patient—imitating the crazed killer Howard Unruh, who shot 13 persons to death in Camden, New Jersey, in 1949—wounded three women today after a taxi ride from Atlantic City marked by pot shots at pedestrians.

The police identified him as Louis Yollin, 27, patient at the Philadelphia State Hospital at Byberry, who had boasted of an "urge to kill".

Yollin was captured without a struggle after he had stalked casually along the street shooting indiscriminately at the people. He had also shot at a number of persons during his 30-mile cab ride.

The police chief, Carl Hoffman, said Yollin told him he did the shooting "just for the fun of it."

## DECISION OF BRITISH FIRMS EXPLAINED

London, May 19.  
The withdrawal of British firms from China should not mean an end of the British export trade with China nor of Britain's buying produce from China.

This was stated today by Mr G. E. Mitchell, Vice-Chairman of the China Association, group organisation of the China merchants in London.

Such trade could be carried on by a small association of merchants, but would only be possible if the Chinese allowed its representatives reasonable freedom of movement.

Mr Mitchell said the chief reasons for the action of the firms were that they cannot continue indefinitely to operate at a loss, and that the managers and other British employees have the greatest possible difficulty in obtaining permission to enter or leave the country.

"Moreover, the position of the local managers is especially difficult because the Chinese hold them personally responsible for all the acts of their companies and have in some cases already imprisoned them when they were unable to comply with Chinese demands."

Mr Mitchell added: "The British community in China do not lack an appreciation of the fact that times have changed, but they have changed so much that they have become convinced that there is no future for them under present conditions, and they are clearly unwelcome."

**END OF EPOCH**  
The decision of the great British firms to pull out ends a remarkable epoch of adventurous foreign trading in the Orient.

One question remaining now is whether the Chinese Government will seek future trading contracts only through links developed at the recent Moscow International Economic Conference, or whether it will avail itself of the offer for future contact made by the old China firms.

These organisations, with their history running through successive regimes in China, and their considerable experience of the economic needs of the China market, have made it clear they do not want the present withdrawal to mark a complete break.

A foreign Office spokesman said the move did not affect British diplomatic relations with China, which would continue as before. He added it did not raise the question of compensation for the British-China firms.—Reuter.

**US BUSINESSES**  
Washington, May 19.  
Some American business interests in China are "trying to get out," State Department spokesman Michael McDermott said today.

Commenting on the withdrawal of British firms from Communist China, he said the State Department had not received official notification of it. He would not say whether the British action came as a surprise to the Department.—Reuter.

The Queen's message today asked for provision to be made for her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, and her children other than Prince Charles who, as the Duke of Cornwall, receives the revenue of the Duchy of Cornwall, about £200,000 a year.

Mr H. Crookshanks, leader of the House of Commons, said that the Chancellor of the Exchequer would move the appointment tomorrow of a Select Committee to consider the Queen's message.—Reuter.

**Collision Death  
Roll Now 45**  
Jaipur, May 19.  
The death toll had risen tonight to 45 from last night's head-on collision of a passenger train and a goods train on the Jaipur-Bikaner line in Central India.

Thirty-six people were killed outright and nine died in hospital. Sixty-two others were injured.

The accident, one of the worst in the history of India's railways, occurred just before midnight seven miles from Bikaner.

Rescue squads worked all night to free the dead and dying from the wreckage of two crowded third-class carriages crumpled behind the passenger train's engine.—Reuter.

## Kidnapping Brings Strong Warning

Berlin, May 19.  
The British commandant, Maj.-Gen. C. F. C. Coleman, today strongly protested to the Soviet against the kidnapping of a German woman from the British Zone and warned that if the matter were not satisfactorily cleared up he would take "appropriate action."

The commandant said Frau Freda Dachs, a resident of Berlin, was seized by Soviet guards at the Soviet memorial in the British sector on Saturday and rushed away in a Soviet car.—United Press.

## SEQUEL TO PLANE CRASH

Officials Held As  
Hostages

Rio de Janeiro, May 19.  
Three relief aircraft carrying parachutists are being rushed to the wreckage in the Brazilian jungles of the Pan American Airways' stratoscruiser Good Hope, where American and Brazilian officials are reported to be held as hostages.

Reports said that "unofficial" parachutists from a group sponsored by the former Governor of Sao Paulo, Adhemar de Barros, were holding the officials who came from the official overland expedition.

The airliner crashed in the jungle on April 29, killing the 41 passengers and the crew of nine. A fortune in diamonds was rumored to have been aboard the plane.

(In Miami, Florida, Mr. Gordon Bennett, chief adviser of the International District Office of the Civil Aviation Administration, said the officials were being held hostage and the "unofficial" group was demanding that they be taken out of the jungle by an American Air Force helicopter.)

**VICTIMS BURIED**  
The bodies of 50 people on board the Pan American stratoscruiser which crashed in the Brazilian jungle three weeks ago, were buried beside the wreckage yesterday.

Pan American Airways said that the terrain made it impossible to do otherwise.

An official rescue expedition reached the wreck last Friday. Pan American Airways denied Brazilian reports that some of the passengers had survived and died afterwards, and said that all 50 on board were killed instantaneously.

A statement will be made later on the cause of the crash.—Reuter.

## It's Known As Spring Madness

Knoxville, May 19.  
Shrieking coeds, with brooms and butcher knives, joined police armed with pistols and teargas today to drive off 500 "pantie raiders" at the University of Tennessee.

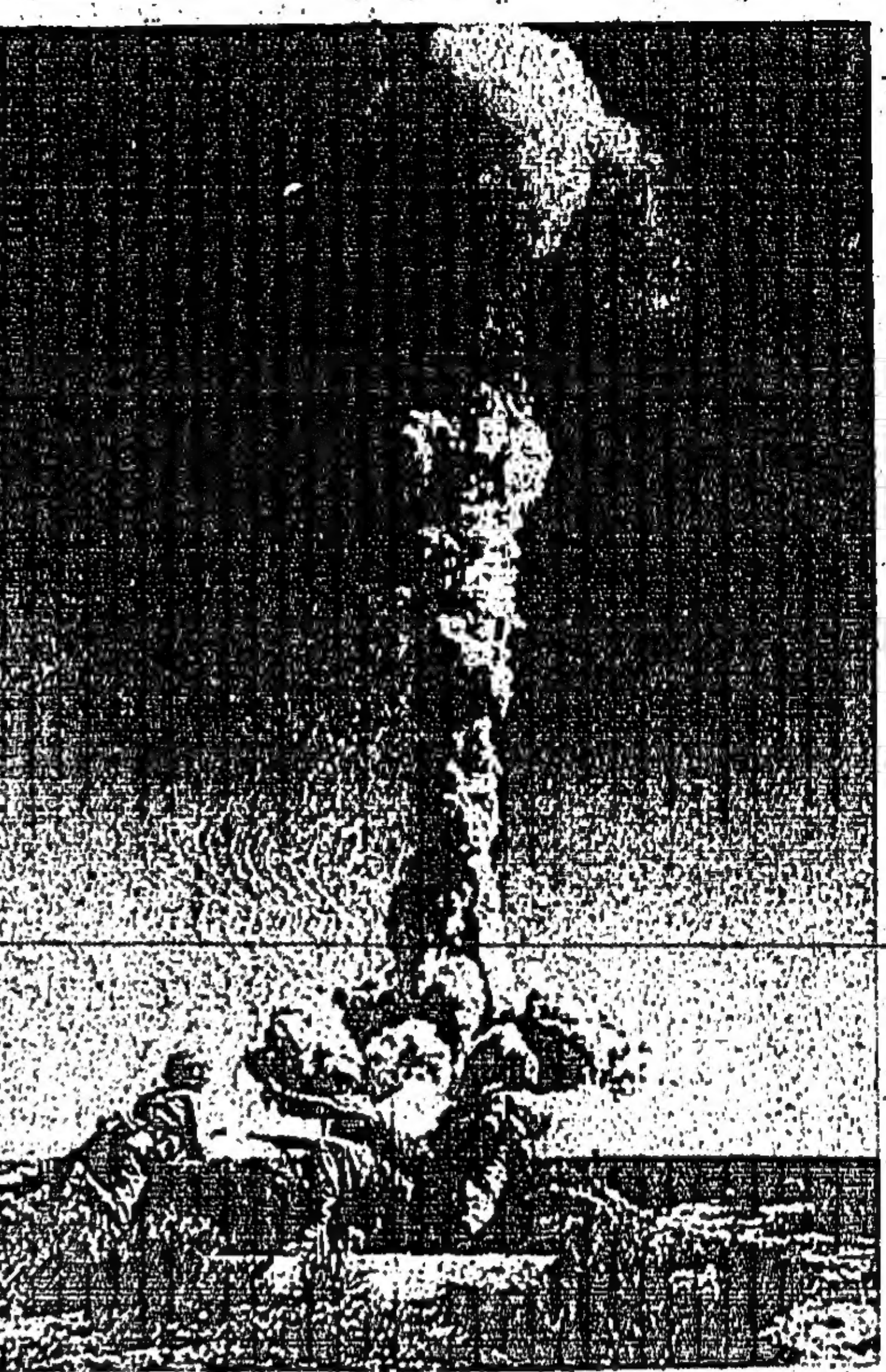
Three hundred more men students at Vanderbilt University in the State capital of Nashville stormed the coeds last night and early today in a similar hunt for brassieres, panties and other apparel.

Both campuses were shaken to their foundations garments as the tide of the greatest collegiate spring madcap since the gold-dust-swallowing days of the 1930s rolled on unabated.

One hundred city, county and State police were reinforced by state and broom-wielding coeds defending their lingerie at Henson Hall and Barbara Blount dormitories. The police said their threat to use weapons apparently broke up the raid.

They said about three wagon-loads of suckers were hustled from one dormitory. All were released but 34 will be dealt with by the University's administrative council.—United Press.

## Atom Bomb Explodes



The familiar atomic "mushroom" rises into the sky over the Nevada, U.S.A. Atom Bomb proving grounds. Over 8,100 Marines of the United States Forces were present during this demonstration, and, suitably equipped, they charged their "objective" only a few seconds after the explosion.—London Express.

## Paratroopers' Show Of Force At Koje Island

Koje Island, May 19.  
American paratroopers double-timed past compounds holding rebellious Communist prisoners of war today.

It was a major show of force and an unmistakable announcement to the prisoners that their new guards are from the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Troops of the two battle jumps in North Korea.

The island bristled with activity. There was no announcement but observers here believed that an ultimatum might be given to the prisoners shortly to haul down illegal flags, banners and statements that dot their compounds.

Brigadier-General Haydon Boatner, Commander of the camp where Brigadier-General Francis Dodd was seized and held a hostage, said he intends to get full compliance with the rules of the Geneva Convention as soon as he is sure the prisoners understand them.

General Boatner said he expected at least minor disorders but he is confident that they can be handled without bloodshed.

**TANKS IN POSITION**  
He conferred briefly with two International Red Cross representatives while flame-throwing tanks rumbled up nearby slopes.

The tanks took positions on ridges overlooking the two valleys where the prison compounds are located.

In one valley brawny paratroopers went through their daily drill. Prisoners clustering the barbed wire barriers saw them run past shouting "airborne" in evidence of the clattering of their steel.

Officials said that the Red Cross visit was "routine."

One of the Red Cross officials was Dr. Otto Leher who was snubbed at the Panmunjom treaty talks. The Communists here tonight.

**EGYPT'S REPLY**  
Cairo, May 19.  
Egyptian Prime Minister Hilmi Pasha has approved the final text of Egypt's reply to British proposals to end the Anglo-Egyptian dispute, a Cabinet spokesman announced here tonight.

The spokesman said the Government had also formulated measures to be taken after replying to the British proposals.—Reuter.

## Rioting In Karachi Ends After Two Days

Karachi, May 19.  
Two days of rioting between the Police and opponents of a Muslim sect ended late yesterday after 83 persons had been injured and the Police had thrown tear gas bombs and made repeated baton charges.

The Police reported that many were arrested.

The riots began on Saturday night after a crowd had gathered around Jehangir Park in Karachi where the Ahmadiya Muslim sect were holding their annual convention with the Foreign Minister, Zafarullah Khan, as the guest of honour.

The crowd which threw stones at the Police guarding the entrance to the park were finally dispersed with tear gas.

**CROWD OF 4,000**  
A much larger crowd, estimated by the Police as numbering 4,000 attempted to break through the Police cordon when Congress re-convened on Sunday.

Zafarullah Khan was escorted from the scene by steel-helmeted riot Police as shouting demonstrators attempted to scale the walls of the park and attack convention delegates.

They were finally driven back after the Police had made baton charges and thrown tear gas bombs.

The demonstrators then moved into the narrow streets of the city where they set fire to shops owned by Ahmadiya Muslims and attempted to loot show-cases.

The Police said that little damage had been caused to Ahmadiya premises. They added, however, that two shops had been gutted by fire.—United Press.

## Oil Workers Returning

Denver, Colorado, May 19.  
Ten thousand of the 90,000 striking American oil workers are expected to return to work tonight following a wage agreement.

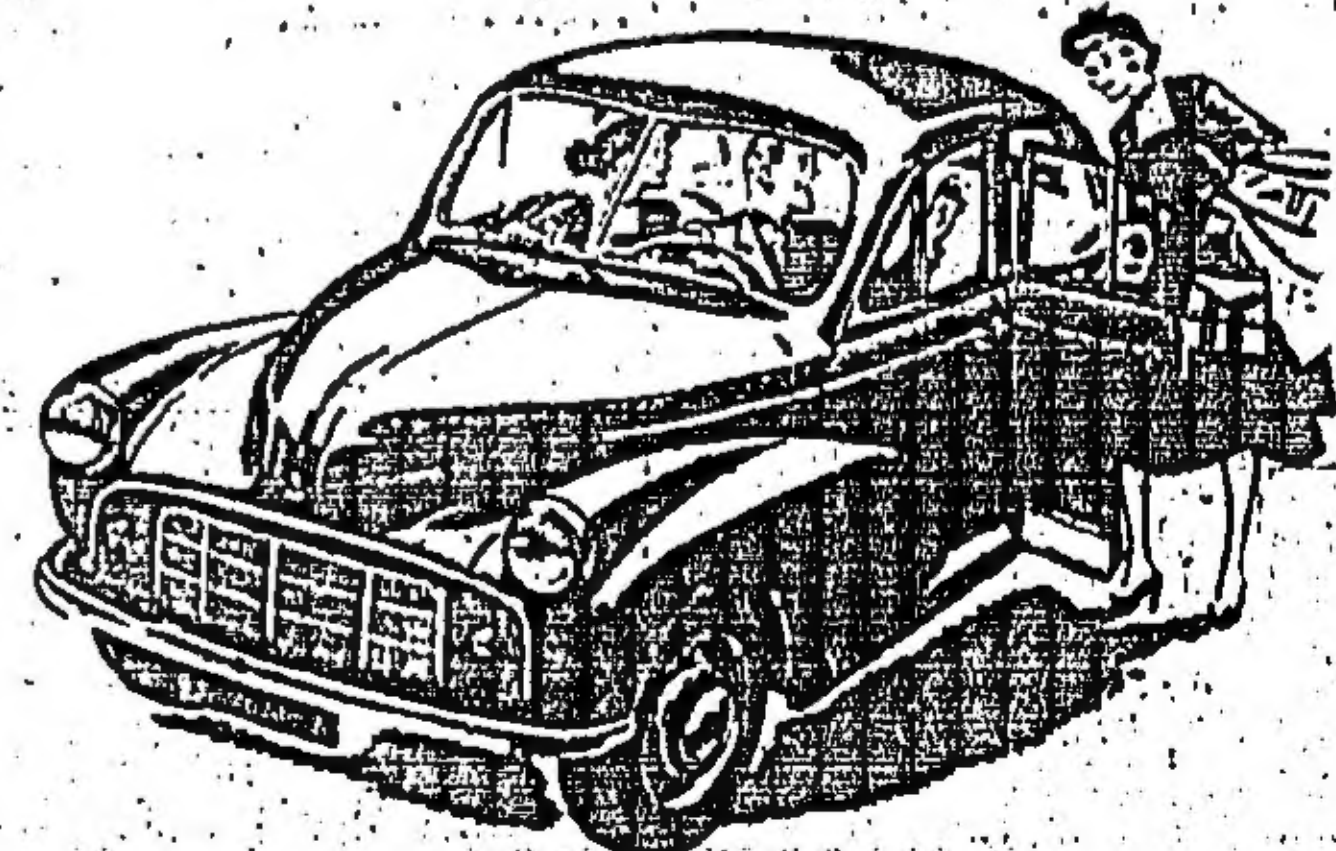
The agreement was with the Sinclair Oil. Union officials earlier estimated that about 6,000 other strikers, who walked out on April 30, were returning to work today—following settlement.

The strike, which has been for higher wages, has caused several cuts in air services throughout the world.

Air France and the Royal Dutch Airlines KLM today cancelled five weekly round-trip flights to Europe, bringing the total weekly overseas flight cuts from Idlewild airport, New York, to 33.

The British Overseas Airways Corporation has already cut their trans-Atlantic services from 14 to ten.—Reuter.

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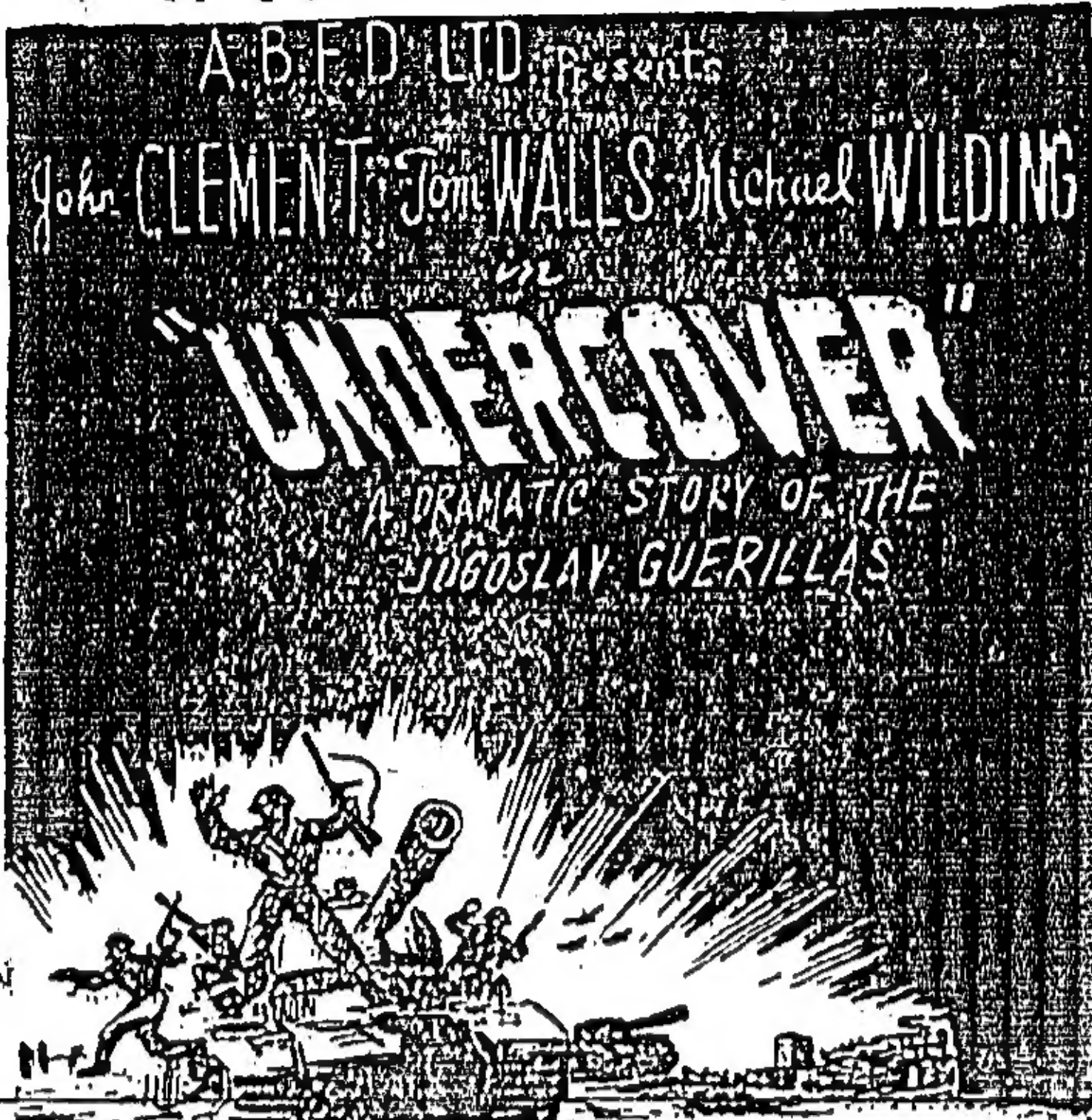
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## 'Red Dean' Off To Moscow



The white-haired "Red Dean" of Canterbury, Dr. Hewlett Johnson, photographed with his wife at London Airport before leaving for Moscow via Prague. He has been invited to Russia by Alexei, Patriarch of Moscow and all the Russias. He has also been invited to Peking by the Chinese Vice-President. — Reutersphoto.

## Controversy Over Birth Control

Geneva, May 19. The World Health Organisation quickly withdrew from the controversial problem of birth control today after delegates from several strongly Roman Catholic countries warned that actions in this field would endanger the existence of the organisation.

The Norwegian delegate, Dr. Karl Evang, brought up the subject last Friday with his proposal that the Organisation ask a Committee of experts to study the "health aspects" of the world population problem, including possible government propagation of birth control methods in over-populated countries.

## US East Anglia Bases To Stay

London, May 19. The Prime Minister, Winston Churchill, today said that the American air force bases would remain in East Anglia so long as they are needed in the general interests of world peace and security.

Mr. Churchill made the statement in the House of Commons in reply to a question by the Labour M.P. and former Secretary for Air, Arthur Henderson, who wanted to know if the Government intended to continue the air bases in East Anglia in view of the fact that their presence made Britain especially liable for counter-action by the "other side." — Associated Press.

## TALKS ON EUROPEAN DEFENCE

Paris, May 19. France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg started a three-day conference today aimed at finalising the draft text of the European Defence Community, which was initiated with gaps in it on May 1.

This is the first of three important high-level diplomatic meetings in the coming week, designed to give Germany peace-time relations with the West, bring her into active partnership with the Western defence plans and produce the historically unprecedented scheme of a single army for the six European countries with the same uniform, code and command.

## AWAITING THE RIGHT WIND

Las Vegas, May 19. Atomic scientists kept watchful eyes on the wind today and said hopefully that they might touch off the 15th nuclear detonation within the continental United States tomorrow morning.

The test blast, arranged for this morning, has been postponed four times because of high winds. — United Press.

# Truce Talks Floundering In The Usual Bitter Debate

Munsan, May 20. The Korean truce talks today (Tuesday) floundered in bitter debate as Vice-Admiral C. Turner Joy sadly prepared to say good-bye before achieving peace in Korea.

But Admiral Joy feels his job is done. "The rest is up to the Communists," he said. The enemy, however, seems more interested in talking than signing truce documents, the Admiral said last night through his official spokesman.

Admiral Joy makes his last trip to Pannunjom on Thursday. The next day Major-General William K. Harrison Jr. takes over as chief of the American United Nations armistice team.

The 57-year-old Admiral who has guided the talks since they began last July 10 leaves the two sides only one issue away from stopping the bloody Korean war. The negotiators are locked over how to exchange war prisoners.

The truce talks meet again at 11 a.m. today at Pannunjom. Admiral Joy said last night that on April 28 he laid "our final effort at compromise on the table."

That day he handed the Communists an "overall solution" for winding up the 10-month-old talks. This plan offers the enemy back only those prisoners who will return without being forced.

"OUT-AND-OUT LIE" North Korean General Nam 11 insists on all his soldiers coming home. He daily charges the Allies with forcibly holding North Koreans and Chinese to rearm them "for your cannon fodder."

Nam, the top Red delegate, denied yesterday (Monday) that his side ever agreed to the recent screening of Communist prisoners to see which ones would return to Red control.

Admiral Joy branded Nam 11's denial an "out-and-out lie."

Today only one issue blocks a truce. The Allies say no Communist prisoner will be forced to return to Red control, while the Communists demand that all their soldiers come home.

General Harrison inherits the last — but monumental — barrier. The job falls to a Bible-reading Baptist who stands five feet seven inches in combat boots.

The two-star General, neither smoker nor drinker and is never heard to swear. He conducted the prisoner exchange services for the past year in the UN base at Kaesong. He has won many medals. They include the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Purple Heart, Bronze Star, Distinguished Service Medal and Legion of Merit.

General Harrison, 50, is up early every morning and works late into the night. Since January 23 of this year, when he came to Munsan, he has proved his ability at the conference table. It is warm-hearted and has a ready smile.

General Harrison was Admiral Joy's own choice for the senior delegate post. General Mark Clark, the Far East Command, quickly approved. — Associated Press.

## Pakistan Trade With Germany

Bonn, May 19. Pakistan and West Germany started negotiations today to replace the present agreement which runs out on June 30.

An official of the West German Economics Ministry said that one of the principal aims of the West German delegation was to find ways and means of increasing German exports to Pakistan.

Although the current agreement, which was extended several times, provided for sufficient export possibilities to Pakistan, Pakistan did not impact the quantities fixed in the agreement, he said. — Reuters.

## MINES FOR SALE

Rangoon, May 19. A down payment and to much a year will buy a gold mine in South Korea. Or customers can choose between coal, copper, iron ore and other minerals.

A spokesman of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry said annual payments ranged from \$4,000 to \$40,000, according to the wealth of the mine sought for world-war buyers. — Reuters.

## Agreement On Cotton Envisaged

Rome, May 19. An international agreement to protect cotton growers and customers from disastrous market fluctuations will be sought by the International Cotton Advisory Committee which opened here today.

The Committee is an inter-governmental body grouping the world's most important 27 cotton exporting and importing countries.

At a brief session today several speakers agreed that the cotton industry was passing through a difficult period.

In many countries growers and industries have been hit by a severe "buying slump" in recent months. Short time and unemployment have been the result.

A special sub-committee to study the possibilities of avoiding extreme surpluses and shortages in future was appointed today.

A possible way to avoid cotton crises would be an agreement similar to the International Wheat Agreement, under which selling and floor prices are fixed and exporting countries agree to sell, and importing countries agree to buy, certain annual quantities of wheat.

Cotton Advisory Committee member countries account for some 85 per cent of the world's cotton trade.

The Committee recently put the value of international trade in raw cotton products, excluding cotton seed, at about \$9,000,000 a year. — Reuters.

## Eisenhower In Holland

Breda, May 19. General Eisenhower today inspected the Royal Dutch Military Academy here. He flew here today from Paris on the last of his farewell visits to Atlantic Pact countries.

After inspecting the Academy he left to spend the night at The Hague.

He will meet Dutch Cabinet Ministers and lunch with Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard on Tuesday. He will address European air chaplains at the Spiritual Life Conference at Seist afterwards and will return to Paris in the evening. — Reuters.

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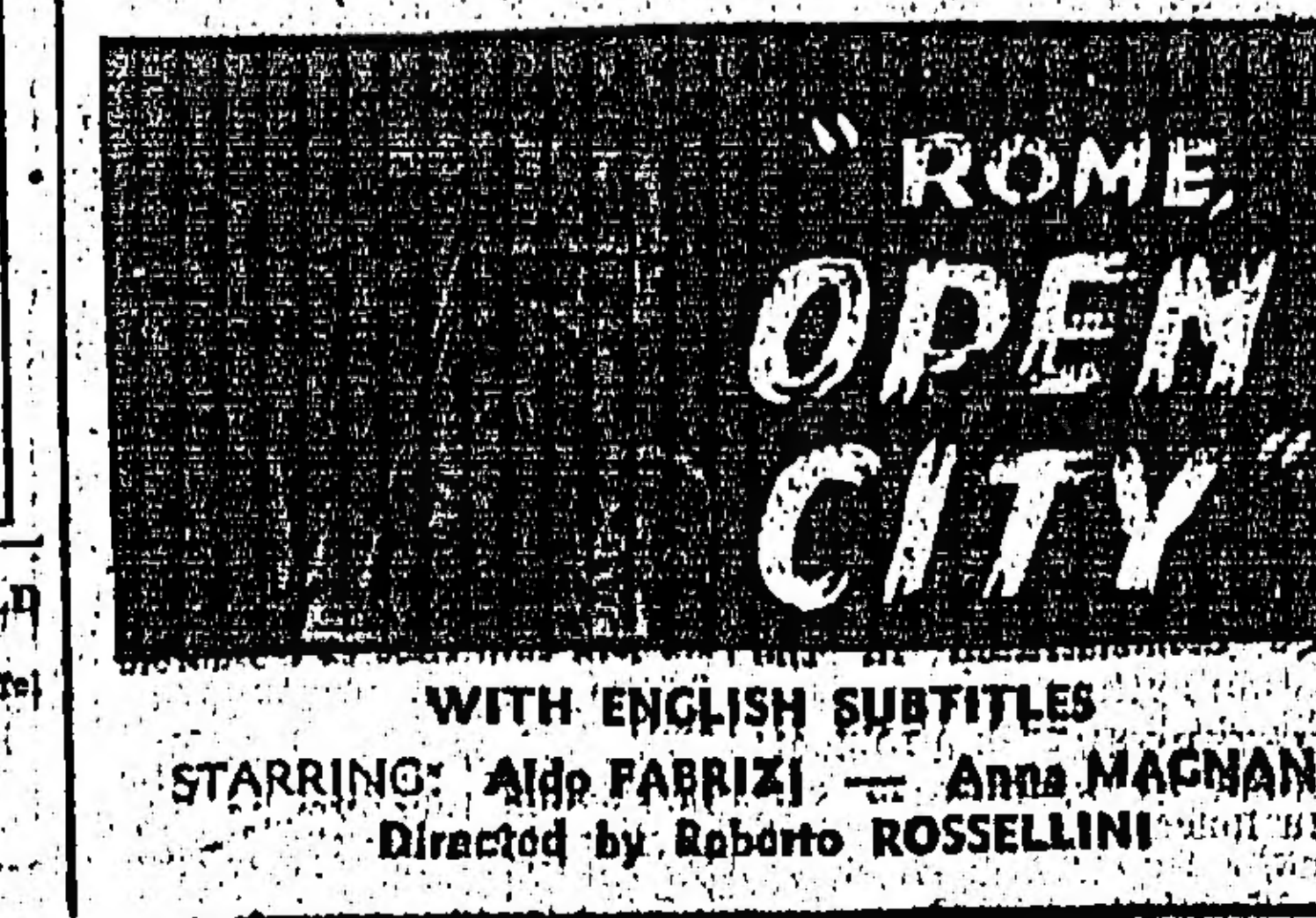
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Eisenhower  
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General Eisenhower, returning from his tour of duty in Europe, shown during his farewell visit to Italy. He is inspecting troops at Udine, on Italy's north-western frontier. —Express Photo.

JAPANESE  
ASSETS  
IN KOREA

Washington, May 19. The State Department's spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott, indicated today that the United States has urged Japan and Korea to settle their controversy over Japanese assets in South Korea through friendly bilateral negotiations.

The United States has communicated with both parties, he said.

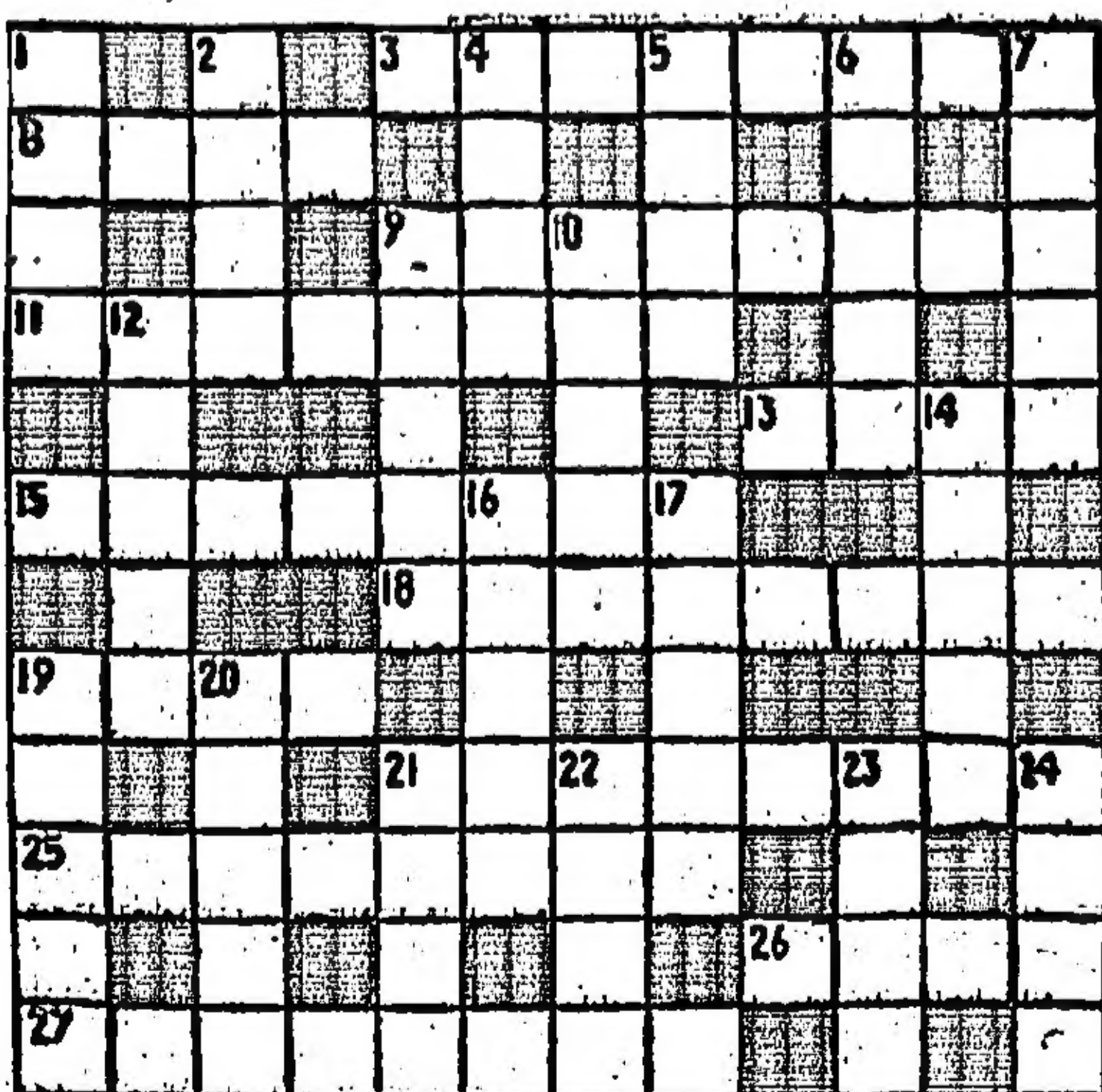
He did not disclose the contents of the communications but said that the American attitude was set forth in them.

He added, "The Government of the United States has consistently taken the position that all questions arising in the current negotiations between the Republic of Korea and Japan should be resolved by friendly negotiations between the two Governments."

"Since under the provisions of Article 4 of the Treaty of Peace with Japan these negotiations are of a bilateral nature, the United States has every hope that Japan and Korea will soon reach a mutually satisfactory solution of outstanding issues and we wish to avoid any action which might prejudice a final settlement of these issues."

Mr. McDermott declined to answer specific questions as to whether the United States is taking sides in the controversy but there were indications that the Government prefers to let Japan and Korea resolve the dispute themselves. —United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS  
3. Seized (8).  
8. Flight (4).  
9. Applicable (8).  
11. Exalted (8).  
13. Stop (4).  
15. Entrusted (8).  
16. Weakening (8).  
18. Repose (4).  
21. Middle paradise (8).  
22. Advances (8).  
23. Drops (4).  
27. Harass (8).

DOWN  
1. Clever (4).  
2. Reign (4).  
4. Encourage (4).  
5. Fastened (4).  
6. Cook (5).  
7. Song (5).  
9. Meat (5).  
10. Uniform (5).  
12. Slight (5).  
14. Cancel (5).  
16. Small piece of turf (5).  
17. Gulls (5).  
19. Swift (5).  
20. Demographics (5).  
21. Heath (4).  
22. Optical glass (4).  
23. Unfavoured (4).  
24. Keenness (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 1. Canals, 4. Birch, 7. Elevator, 8. Realm, 9. Tiles, 11. Tangled, 13. Protest, 15. Tender, 18. Rebel, 19. Inspect, 20. Thirst, 21. Steady, 22. Flow, 1. Chat, 2. Devil, 3. Dishes, 4. Parrot, 5. Reformed, 6. Harmed, 10. From-bone, 12. Attacks, 13. Penit, 14. Enlist, 16. Niece, 17. Rusty.

Acheson-Menzies Discussions  
On Pacific  
Defence Body

Washington, May 19.

The Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, said today after seeing the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, at the State Department, that he hoped the Pacific Council would be set up shortly.

"I am going now to the Australian Embassy to confer with the New Zealand Ambassador, Leslie Munro, on what Mr. Acheson and I discussed in regard to the Pacific Council," Mr. Menzies said.

Sudanese  
Decision  
Welcomed

London, May 19.

The decision of the Sudan Independence leader, Sayed Sir Abdel Rahman el Mahdi, to send a delegation to Cairo for talks on the status of the Sudan has been received with great interest in London.

Though the delegation, which is to be headed by the Mahdi's nephew, Sayed Abdallah Fadl, is not representative of all shades of Sudanese opinion and though the pro-independence Umma party headed by the Mahdi's son, Sayed Siddik el Mahdi, is standing aside, the contact should be useful, it is felt here.

The Foreign Office spokesman today said, "It has always been our view that there should be close contact between Sudanese and Egyptian opinion. This decision will give the Egyptian Government an opportunity to hear at first hand the views of an important section of Sudanese opinion."

Britain believed that lack of close contact between Egyptian and Sudanese political leaders had been responsible for a good deal of the misunderstanding and difficulty.

Britain is still awaiting a reply to the proposals for a round-table conference on the future of the Sudan.

The proposal, made earlier this month, was for consultation with a fully representative Sudanese delegation.

The fundamental stumbling block between Britain and Egypt in the Anglo-Egyptian dispute is Britain's refusal to recognise the King of Egypt as the ruler of Egypt and the Sudan without consultation with Sudanese opinion. —Reuters.

West Germans  
Hoping For  
China Trade

Bonn, May 19.

West German industrialists, importers and exporters have set up an "office for West-East trade" here to promote trade relations with Russia, China and East European countries.

Herr W. Rehm, provisional office manager, said his office was working in close co-operation with Professor Ludwig Erhard's Economics Ministry.

But a ministry spokesman said: "We know nothing of such co-operation."

Herr Rehm, who attended last month's Moscow economic conference, said he was optimistic about the success of his office's efforts.

"We want to do absolutely legal business within the framework of the Allied restrictions. There are no Communist sympathisers among us," he said.

Herr Rehm is a former newspaper correspondent who recently set up an economic advisory office. —Reuters.

## SPECULATION ON RED INTENTIONS

Berlin, May 19.

Increased Communist demonstrations and protests against alleged Western "border provocations" hinted today that East Germany is preparing to fortify her Western borders.

Red charges that the West had recently started smuggling "spies" and "agents" into the Soviet zone were viewed by Western observers as a pretext for future military "defence" operations and tightened control along the frontier dividing East and West Germany.

The three Western Commandants told West Berlin's Mayor, Professor Ernst Reuter, today that the Allied Commandants will retain its supreme authority in West Berlin after the signing of the Allied-West German agreement ending the occupation.

The Commandants, a four-power body, theoretically controls all Berlin but in fact its

The setting up of a Pacific Council is provided for in the security treaty recently signed by the United States, New Zealand and Australia.

Mr. Menzies conferred with Mr. Acheson from 3.30 to 4.50 p.m. after leaving the White House.

"I discussed a variety of matters with Mr. Acheson and especially the follow-up business of the Pacific Pact," he said.

"Machinery for setting up the pact has to be settled, including decision as to the time and place for holding the first meeting."

"I hope it will be set up shortly. The immediate business is to get the pact functioning and we all agree it should be set up as soon as possible."

## EXPERTS PRESENT

Mr. Menzies refused to say whether Mr. Acheson, the New Zealand Ambassador and himself would be able to suggest time and place for the conference to their respective governments.

Referring to his visit to the White House, he said: "I very much enjoyed it and found Mr. Truman in good spirits. Our conversation was purely informal, but I was keenly impressed with the generous way Mr. Truman referred to his friendship for Australia. I am convinced he has a very genuine regard for us."

During his talks with Mr. Menzies, Mr. Acheson brought in a number of experts, including the Assistant Secretary of State for European and Commonwealth Affairs, Mr. George Perkins, the Assistant Secretary for Far Eastern Affairs, Mr. John Allison, the head of the Commonwealth Division, Mr. Hayden R. Royce, and the Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs, Mr. Willard Thorp.

## CHINA ANGLE

It was understood that Mr. Menzies and Mr. Acheson discussed Far Eastern matters, particularly dealing with Korea and China, as well as Commonwealth and economic affairs.

Mr. Menzies said that, in addition to meeting the New Zealand Ambassador at the Embassy late this afternoon, he had also arranged to confer separately with the Netherlands Ambassador, Dr. J. H. van Rijen, and the Pakistani Ambassador, Mr. Mohammed Ali.

An official said Mr. Menzies was likely to discuss Dutch New Guinea with Dr. van Rijen and Far Eastern affairs with the Pakistani Ambassador.

Mr. Menzies is to confer tomorrow with the Secretary of Defence, Mr. Robert Lovett, and the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder. —United Press.

## LONDON FORECAST

London, May 19.

The Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, will raise the possibility of an Australian observer being posted to the headquarters of the Atlantic Pact when he visits London for talks with the British Government next week, according to usually reliable sources.

The aim would be to ensure that Australia retains an effective voice in Middle East and Far Eastern defence policies. —Reuters.

Teaching Them  
To Dream

Berlin, May 19.

East German school-children are to be "taught to dream". A Communist party official, explaining this new educational system, says it has been adopted from the Russians and means teaching children "to believe in things that don't yet exist."

Giving examples, the official said if children were taught to believe the shops were full of food and clothes and toys, and that they could go for holidays to the seaside, then they would struggle all the harder "to make these dreams come true."

Nomination  
Proving A  
Close Race

New York, May 19.

The race between General Eisenhower and Senator Taft for the Republican presidential nomination is so close that although only 35 party delegates are to be chosen this week every one will be vital.

Of the 35 delegates for the National Convention, eight will be chosen in Montana on Tuesday, and 24 in Washington and three in Minnesota on Saturday.

Big gains for General Eisenhower in Oregon and Vermont last week narrowed Senator Taft's lead.

Yesterday General Eisenhower was only 38 delegate votes behind the Senator, as compared with 53 a week ago, according to unofficial tabulations.

There will be 1206 delegates to the Republican National Convention, with 604 votes needed for the successful candidate.

The Democrats will this week choose a further 70 delegates—12 in Montana on Tuesday, 32 in North Carolina on Thursday, 20 in Louisiana on Friday and six in Delaware on Saturday.

No State primaries are scheduled. All the activity will be in the State conventions. Senator Kefauver had 114 delegate votes in unofficial tabulations at the start of last week.

This compared with 92½ for Averell Harriman and a lesser number scattered among 14 others, with 274 unknown or uncommitted.

The Democrats will have 1,230 delegates, and 617 are needed to nominate. So far 711 have been chosen. —Reuters.

Proposals For  
Debts  
Settlement

London, May 19.

Dr. Hermann Abs, leader of the West German delegation to the German debts conference in London, told the conference's steering committee today that proposals to form a basis for settlement had been drafted.

He hoped to be able to submit them in a few days.

According to a British Treasury statement, the steering committee agreed to meet again as soon as the German proposals were available.

A usually reliable source said that today's meeting—the first since the Easter recess—lasted about 45 minutes.

No date has yet been fixed for the conclusion of this final and decisive phase of the discussions which might last until mid-June.

The international conference attended by about 150 representatives is mainly concerned with pre-war and post-war external German debts, estimated at about 6,330 million dollars. —Reuters.

ATOM PLANNING  
HINDERED BY  
LACK OF FUNDS

Melbourne, May 19.

A strong hint that lack of finance is hindering Britain's development of atomic power was given by a leading Australian atomic scientist, Professor Rupert Myers, when he returned home to take up a new scientific appointment in Sydney.

Professor Myers had just spent nearly four years at Harwell, Britain's atomic research station.

Professor Myers said that America's lead in atomic research is largely due to her industrial capacity.

"Britain today has to watch expenditure extremely closely. Where America can decide to build three new atomic piles Britain may have to consider seriously whether she can build one." He gave advice on handling Australian uranium. He did not think it was all found yet, he stated. Australian deposits could be of great significance.

Australia should stockpile for her own needs before selling to America; then should bargain for the exchange of atomic information for uranium.

Prof. Myers added that plant should be established in Australia to produce uranium metal from ore.

Of Britain's atomic progress he commented, "It is ahead of America's in some branches, but it is shrouded in unnecessary secrecy. Years of work costing millions lie behind a test like the one to be carried out here and the people who pay are entitled to know what is being accomplished."

"But many interesting and harmless facts are withheld from the man in the street," London Express Service.

## AMERICAN WARNING

New York, May 19.

Mr. Stephen White, an editor of the Look magazine, claimed today that growing Soviet atomic power might make "non-sensical" the assumption of the United States foreign policy that Europe could be defended.

Soviet scientists, he said, had built up an atom bomb stockpile which was beginning to match that of the United States.

Mr. White said his information came from scientific leaders in the United States and friends among European scientists not bound by American security regulations.

America assumed, that atom bombs were the answer to

Delegate Wants  
To Be Relieved

Bonn, May 19.

Dr. Otto Kuester, deputy head of West Germany's delegation to the Hague conference on compensation to the Jews, today asked the Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, to relieve him of his appointment.

Dr. Kuester told Reuters by telephone from his Stuttgart home, "If I had known at the time that the Government had no serious plan to carry out its offer I should never have accepted the appointment. I have asked to be relieved because I have found that the Government's offer of amends is not backed by any serious Cabinet resolution." —Reuters.

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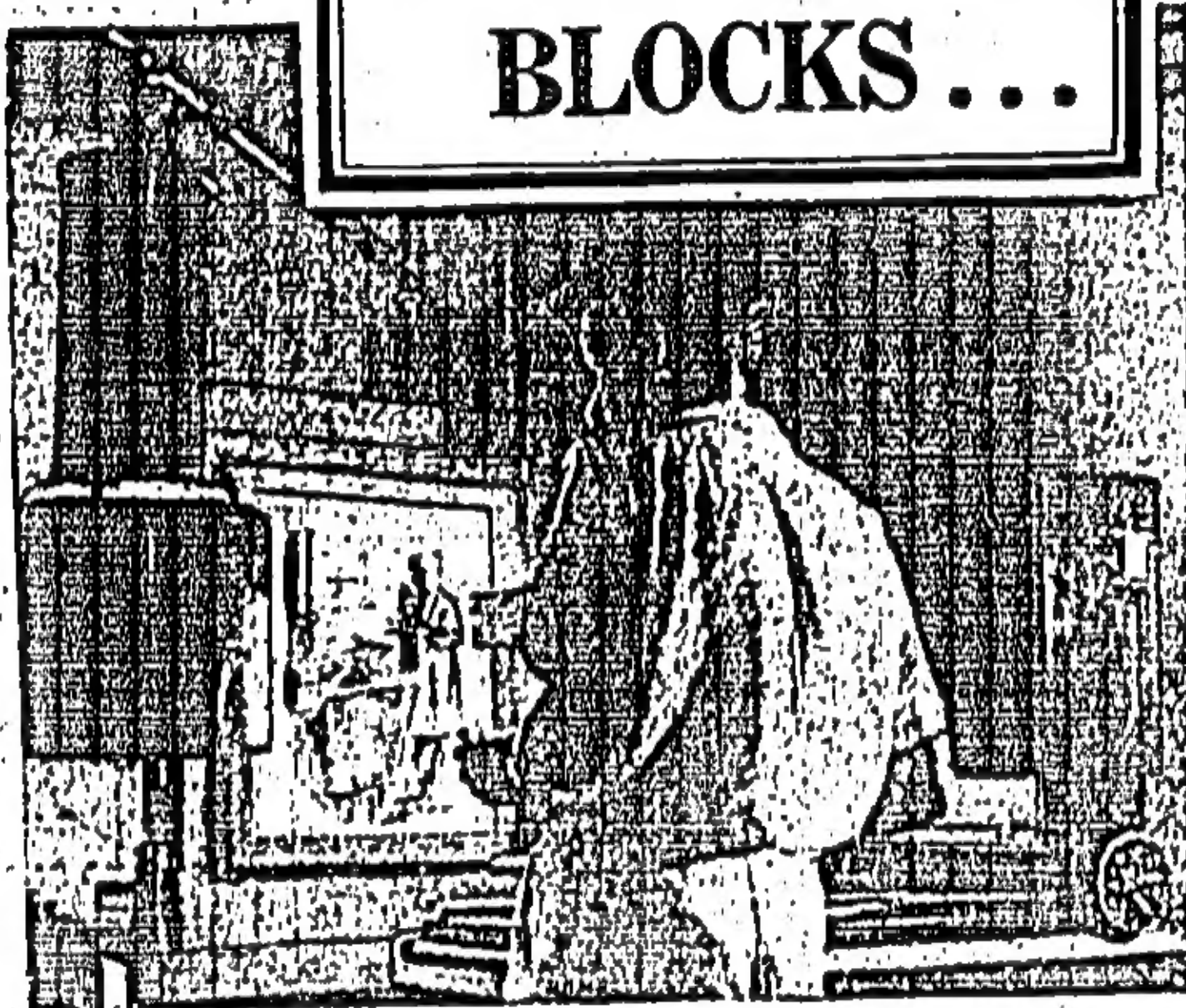
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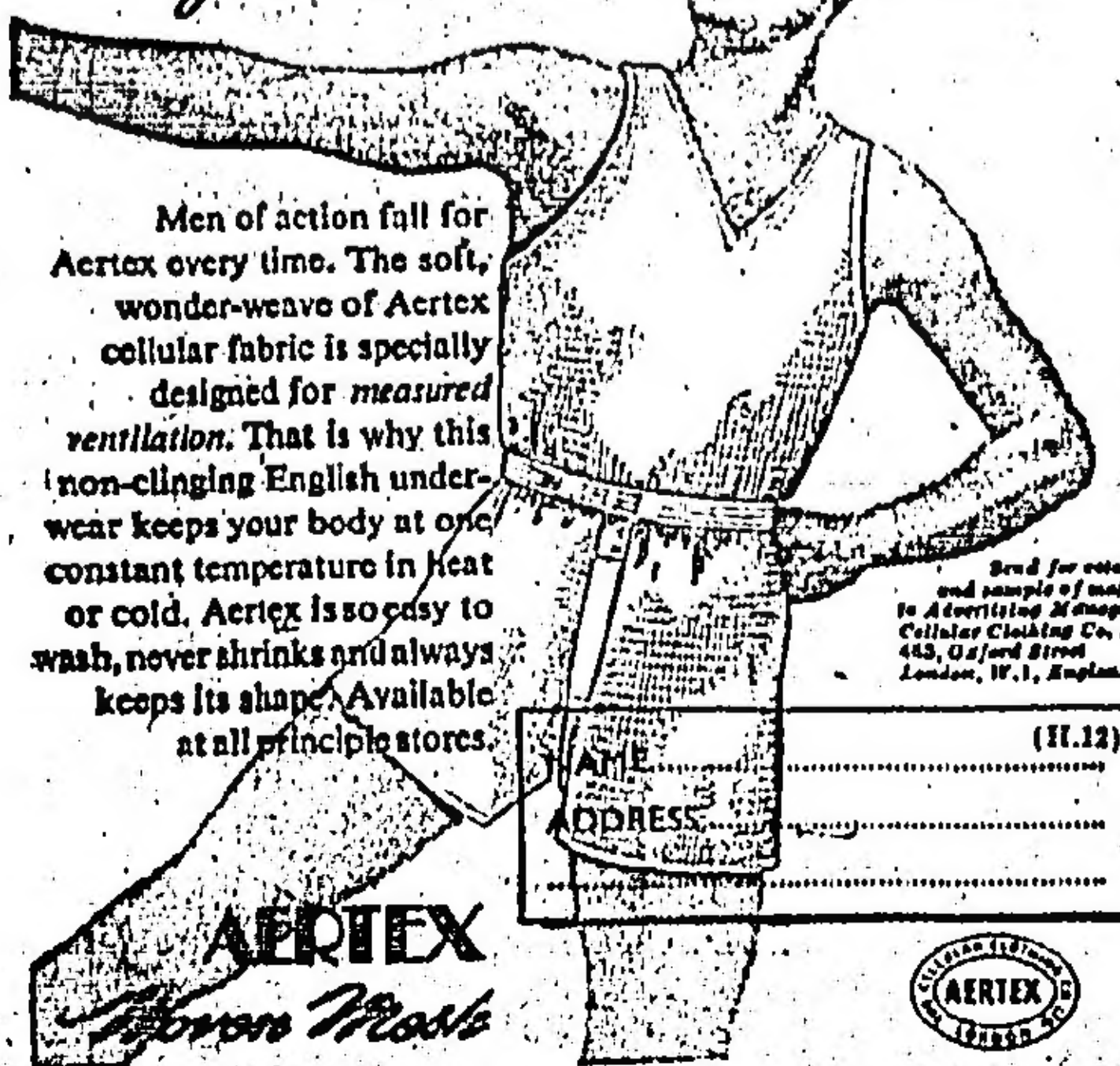
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"But Wilbur, maybe the little English boys don't want a little  
American boy to be admiral of their boats."

London Express Service

# WE COLLECT A NEW LOT OF PETS

by ... JOHN GORDON

IF starting a war is  
usually an extra-  
ordinary business, it  
seems that bringing it  
to an end can be even more  
extraordinary.

Take the fantastic situa-  
tion that has developed in  
Korea. We went to war in  
that remote, unprofitable,  
and ungodly hole, so we  
were told, to preserve the  
liberties of the South  
Koreans against attack by  
the North Koreans.

We have now achieved such  
a measure of victory that the  
North Koreans would have  
collapsed long ago except that,  
far away in the Kremlin, for  
deep, dark reasons entirely un-  
connected with Korea at all, the  
notorious 13 men of the Polit-  
buro desire to keep the pot boil-  
ing.

So the battle is deadlocked.  
Yet can we move from deadlock  
to ending the war? Apparently  
no. And now we have reached  
the stage of fantasy. We have  
not only adopted the South  
Koreans, but we are taking the  
North Koreans to our bosom as  
well. The Marx war has  
developed into the Marx  
Brothers war.

That statement may arouse  
some of our sentimentalists to  
fury. But am I right? Just look  
at the position.

## ODD AFFAIR

AFTER three months of  
negotiation, we reached  
the point when an armistice  
seemed possible. Then the  
whole thing broke down on us  
because of a piece of nonsense as  
ever developed in war.

Apparently we can't end the  
war because about 70,000 of the  
132,000 North Korean prisoners  
in our hands decline to go home.  
Why?

We are assured by America's  
Mr. Truman and our own Mr.  
Anthony Eden, in most moving  
words, that they refuse to be  
sent home because they are  
afraid of Communism.

Messrs. Truman and Eden,  
raising their eyes to heaven,  
declare that to send them home  
in such circumstances would  
outrage the conscience of the  
free world. So on with the  
battle.

"Isn't it wonderful," cry the  
sentimentalists, that our gallant  
boys will continue to bare their  
 chests to the swords of the  
enemy in order to ensure liberty  
of conscience and freedom from  
thralldom for 70,000 North  
Koreans.

"What a gesture to a man-  
kind!"

But let us look a little more  
deeply into this odd affair. Are  
we absolutely certain that  
these prisoners are really

afraid of Communism? There  
could be another explanation.  
Let us consider it.

These North Koreans are  
among the most primitive and  
economically depressed peoples  
in all Asia.

Life has always pressed very  
hard upon them. The luckiest  
live in hovels. Many eke out an  
animal-like existence in the  
fields and ditches.

They never have had enough  
food, and they have never got  
what food they have had, without  
a considerable effort.

On top of the normal miseries  
of their life came war. They  
were rounded up and pushed  
into battle. Life, that had been  
desperately uncomfortable, be-  
came desperately dangerous as  
well.

But the moment they became  
prisoners there came a trans-  
formation as staggering as that  
which happens when the good

fairly waves her wand in a  
fairy tale.

For the first time in their  
lives these hovel-and-ditch  
dwellers found themselves in  
comfortable homes. All the  
worries of life vanished. They  
had no need to work; no need  
to search for food.

They had it served out to  
them regularly every time the  
clock-house bugles blew, in a  
quantity and of a  
quality far beyond anything  
they ever thought existed. For  
they now live on American  
rations.

## BETTER EXCUSE

AND, of course, the danger to  
life that has to be faced in  
battle no longer concerns them.

If you were a North Korean  
would you elect to go home in  
such circumstances? I doubt it.

But, of course, even a simple  
North Korean knows that  
merely saying you are entranced  
with this wonderful new life  
isn't enough to ensure that you  
will be allowed to continue it.

You need a better excuse than  
that.

What could be better or  
touch with more certainty the  
soft hearts of those odd men  
from the West who alone hold  
the power to make the con-  
tinuance of this fine life  
possible, than to say you are  
afraid to go home because of  
the Communists?

I suggest that may be what  
is happening.

And I suggest we should be  
very certain that it isn't what  
is happening, before we decide  
that British boys shall continue  
to give their lives in that  
unprofitable land, just because  
70,000 North Koreans find  
prisoner-of-war life too com-  
fortable to give up.

For on the present look of  
things they may never get home  
at all if it depends on the  
consciences of North Koreans.

I think we might be a little  
wiser if on such occasions as  
this we sat back and reflected  
whether the price of protecting  
some consciences may not be a  
little too high.

# THE UNTOLD STORY OF— The Kidnapped General

Communist prisoners of war seize an  
Allied general, release him on terms  
later disowned. How could it happen?  
Today, in a cable from the riot island of  
Kojima, in South Korea, comes this on-the-  
spot investigation

by RALPH WALLING

ONE man, self-appointed  
political commissar of  
the Red prisoners held  
by the United Nations on  
Kojima Island, planned the  
kidnapping of the American  
commandant.

For four days, until the  
captured Brig.-General Francis  
T. Dodd was released, this man  
—no one is even sure of his  
name—ruled 17 compounds.

Just what happened in this  
island camp before and after  
the general was seized I can now  
tell.

It started, you might say, one  
sunny day when the working  
parties from the compounds  
were out working—and, in be-  
tween, doing a brisk barter  
trade.

They used soap, clothes and  
blankets supplied by the United  
Nations to get such luxuries as  
wrist watches, revolving pencils,  
toothbrushes, rings.

These were seized as con-  
tributed by Lieut.-Colonel  
Wilbur Robert Raven, com-  
mander of a military police  
battalion. Colonel Raven had  
already had one clash with the  
Reds: a month before he had  
been seized by the political  
commissar's men, held for three  
hours, and made to eat the  
barley ration.

When he swooped on the  
contraband there was more  
trouble—so much that, to  
appease the prisoners, Colonel  
Raven returned the goods the  
next day.

HE was duped in taking  
Colonel Dodd along with him  
to discuss "other problems."  
The political commissar, acted.  
His men moved in on the two  
officers.

Colonel Raven saw what was  
coming. He clung to a gate-

post, kicked out hard. A G.I.  
with bayonet came to his  
rescue. Colonel Raven was  
saved. General Dodd was cap-  
tured.

Five minutes after Gen-  
eral Dodd was seized, banners  
25ft. long and 3ft. high were  
raised in the camp, proclaiming:  
"We capture Dodd. If you do  
not show force and grant our  
demands he will be unharmed."

General Dodd was kept in  
the blanketed rear section of a  
tent, with a rice-matting floor,  
built-in bunk, table decked with  
flowers.

He was allowed to have  
changes of clothing. He was  
allowed to have ham and eggs  
delivered from "outside."

From outside too came  
letters from his Florida home.  
They were delivered by a G.I.  
postman at the compound gate.

The general sat in the tent  
while the commissar—"I'd never  
seen him before"—discussed  
with North Korean Colonel Lee  
Hak Koo, elected leader of the  
P.O.W. Association but not its  
political boss, the terms of  
release.

Colonel Lee said he had just  
received word that troops would  
enter the compound.

would be used "regardless of the  
consequences."

Lee and the commissar dis-  
cussed this. Recalled General  
Dodd, after his release: "They  
informed me that it troops en-  
tered the compound they would  
resist, that my life would  
be forfeited, and that there  
would be a simultaneous break  
from all compounds on the  
island."

They appealed for more time  
to prepare a four-point memo-  
randum for consideration by the  
new camp commandant. This  
was granted.

The political commissar called  
in his lieutenants from the  
other compounds. They came in  
cars and trucks.

Next morning their "memo-  
randum" was ready. So were  
the troops.

AND then came what was  
perhaps the most astonishing  
event in the whole bizarre  
story of this camp.

A reply was sent to the Reds  
by the new camp commandant,  
Brig.-General Charles F. Colson  
—he has been sacked now—  
saying: "I can assure you that  
in future prisoners can expect  
humane treatment."

This was the reply, made  
"under great duress," which  
was later virtually disowned by  
General Mark Clark, new U.N.  
C-in-C.

But General Colson's reply  
was what the political com-  
missar wanted. Still he watered  
down in spite of the troops around  
Compound 76.

From flagpoles in every all  
the other compounds flew North  
Korean and Chinese national  
flags. Columns of Reds  
marched behind the barred wire  
as if on parade.

SEVENTY-EIGHT hours later  
out walked General Dodd,  
free. He was guarded with  
flowers and walked between  
formed-up lines of prisoners.

He walked to a truck, and  
drove to his headquarters, that  
the shadows where the tanks  
and infantry were assembled to  
force their way into the com-  
pound.

"How are you, Frank?" said  
General Colson. "I'm glad to  
see you."

Said General Dodd: "I'm  
glad to be out."

After it was all over and  
white-shirted prisoners known  
vaguely as "Mr. Kim," tried to  
hold his own Press conference  
at the gate of Compound 76.  
He was told to "shut up" by a  
military policeman. He walked  
away.

Maybe he was the political  
commissar.  
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Service)

## TWO DOCTORS LOOK FOR TROUBLE FROM THE HAGGIS

# Dai, Mac, and Pat are all brothers —to tribesmen

THE true Taffes of  
Wales, the Highland  
Scots, and the Irish  
are the direct descendants  
of wild tribesmen from the  
North African deserts,  
scientists solemnly claim  
today.

Morgan Watkin, of Aberystwyth  
and Dr. Arthur Mourant, of the  
Lister Institute, London.

Both are recognised authori-  
ties on human blood-groups—  
fixed hereditary characters like  
eye and hair colour.

They link the Celts with  
North Africa like this:

They base their belief on  
the most thorough survey  
yet made of the distribution  
of different blood-groups  
among the British people.

The survey shows  
that the Celts of  
Wales, Scotland,  
and Ireland are almost  
certainly blood-  
brothers of the Ber-  
bers—a tribe of  
Mohammedans now  
living in Libya, Al-  
geria, and Morocco.

They have little  
blood-relationship  
with the English, who  
are kin to the Germans, Dutch,  
and other "fair Europeans."  
Every time a Welsh miner  
says "from the Rhonda I am"  
he betrays his kinship with the  
people of the Middle East, who  
also construct their sentences in  
that peculiar way the scientists  
state in their carefully docu-  
mented report.

So, too, with the zealous  
Welsh preacher, whose lilt is  
almost identical with the cry of  
a Mohammedan muezzin calling  
the faithful to prayer.

The scientists who make these  
startling claims are Dr. Iestyn

1 RECORDS from blood trans-  
fusion units show that the  
distribution of blood-groups  
among the North Welsh, High-  
land Scots, and Irish is almost  
identical with that of  
the Berber tribes  
alone of all possible  
ancestors.

There is no  
evidence of kinship  
with the Celtic  
people and French  
Bretons as formerly  
supposed.

2 THE CELTS phy-  
sically resemble  
the Berbers in their  
stature and dark features. "Pat  
and Mac" in a white robe and you would  
not know the difference," says  
Dr. Morgan Watkin.

3 MANY WELSH NAMES  
strongly suggest a North  
African origin. Examples: A  
famous Welsh mountain shaped  
like a huge chair is called Cader  
Idris, meaning Idris's chair.  
"When one considers that a  
line of Berber kings also bore  
the name of Idris 'the spin-  
der' the coincidence seems noteworthy," the  
scientists point out.

4 THE BLACK CATTLE of  
Wales—the Scottish  
Highland cattle are almost  
certainly descended from the long-  
horned cattle of North Africa.

The scientists believe that the  
original language of the North  
Africans who migrated to Brit-  
tain under pressure from the  
Arabs was something like  
Egyptian.

It was later displaced by  
Celtic, brought in by later in-  
vaders from Europe.

These invaders gradually  
drove the North African settlers  
into the highlands of Wales and  
Scotland, where their direct  
descendants still live.

What of the Lowland Scots  
and people of South Wales?  
There must be some Berber  
blood there, the scientists be-  
lieve, but it has been too heavily  
diluted by English immigrants  
to show up.

Dr. Morgan Watkin and  
Mourant are continuing their  
patient study. Meanwhile, like  
me, they await the shower of  
leeks, haggis, and shillelaghs.

(London Express Service)









# Spotlight Was On Trevor Bailey, But ROY AND MANTRI MANAGE INDIANS' FIRST CENTURY PARTNERSHIP OF THE TOUR

London, May 19.

Trevor Bailey, latest candidate for the England cricket captaincy, played a big part in the MCC's success today here at Lord's against the Indians.

The tourists, with two wickets still standing, require 20 runs to save the follow on in reply to the MCC's first innings total of 383 runs for eight wickets declared.

Bailey's resources were tested when Roy and Mantri, India's opening pair, made 101 runs together in easily the highest partnership for any wicket so far during the tour.

Roy, in his valuable 62, hit nine fours.

The long stand ended when Roy mistimed a drive and gave a simple catch.

**CENTRE OF ATTRACTION**

Then Bailey became the centre of attraction. He dismissed Mantri with an amazing running catch, and next removed the two fast scoring batsmen, Umrigar and Ramchand, with successive balls.

The MCC captain finished the day with three wickets for 20 runs.

Hilton, with his slow left arm bowling, took four wickets for 38 runs.

End light stopped play 10 minutes before the close.

After a fast start, that was as sunny as the weather, the Indians collapsed badly and ended the second day of their match against the MCC with eight wickets down for 214 runs.

Roy and Mantri put on the best and first century stand of the tour but the later batsmen

failed to carry on the good work.

The MCC batted half an hour in the morning to add 47 runs to the Saturday score of 336 for six wickets while they lost Spooner and Laker.

For the Indians, Mantri constantly gave the impression of being at war with himself, but he was, in reality, sound and steady.

**LIKE A CAT**

After two hours, and as so often happens after a big partnership, he followed Roy back, leaving to as fine a catch as anyone could wish to get. He tried to place Hilton wide off mid-on, but Bailey leaped like a cat, to catch the ball with his right hand.

While this partnership lasted and even after it was broken it was significant that Laker could not create any impression though his length was good.

After lunch Bailey entrusted the bowling to Statham and Laker, and both kept the batsmen extremely quiet.

Statham looked the fastest of any of the English bowlers seen this season. Once Roy intended to drive him through the covers, but the ball flew past gully.

Roy, a short, thick-set batsman, produced some fine on-drives and hooks against Hilton and Laker.

When Roy reached 51 out of 89 in 115 minutes with a sparkling four off Hilton, he completed his first 50 of the tour and at the same time, made the partnership the best for any Indian wicket so far.

Hilton, losing up his left arm, dismissed both the opening batsmen. Roy, who hit nine fours, was first to leave. He intended a mighty drive, but lifted an easy catch to mid-off.

So the first wicket fell at 101 runs when the innings had lasted two hours.

Next, Bailey made an amazing catch at mid-on to dispose of Mantri.

The ball was travelling fast and going away from the field, but Bailey ran five yards, then leaped to reach the ball with his right arm extended.

**FIGURES DISTURB HAZARE**

The Duke of Edinburgh arrived to watch the game, and he saw the play temporarily held up because two groups of pigeons in the outfield were disturbing Hazare, the Indians' captain, while he was batting.

Hazare spoke to the umpires but no effort was made to move the pigeons and play continued.

After the sudden dismissal of their opening pair, the Indians played quietly. Hazare and Umrigar took their first look at the bowling.

Bailey came back and now shortened his run, but with the new ball due shortly there was some comment that he did not reserve himself.

Bailey was soon justified for Umrigar steered a short, rising ball to the reliable lkin in the gully, and then with his next ball, Bailey bowled Ramchand. Sarwat averted the hat-trick with a neat stroke to second slip.

**NEVER LOOKED HAPPY**

Hazare never looked happy, and Bailey continued to worry him with more bowling switches, which brought back Hilton and Compton.

The tea interval arrived with the position critical for the Indians whose total was 139 runs for four wickets.

Hazare had batted one hour for 14 runs.

The second ball after tea accounted for Hazare. He stepped to cut but the ball came back so quickly from the off that it hit the top of his middle stump before he could get his bat down.

It was the type of ball which would have beaten most batsmen.

On taking the new ball, Bailey soon proved too quick for Sarwat, who was leg-before-play.

Happily, Adhikari and Mantri checked the collapse. Both were somewhat fortunate not to pay the penalty for false strokes.

Adhikari was dropped by Statham at short first leg off Laker when 12 runs and then by Carr when he was 22 runs.

The pitch was not taking spin readily, but it was a full-on which broke the seventh wicket stand at 200 runs. Adhikari pulling to C. Carr at mid-wicket.

Gopinath survived only one ball for he changed his mind over his stroke and was bowled.

The light had been indifferent for half an hour when, 10 minutes before time, the umpires stopped play for the day.—*Reuter*.

**THE SCOREBOARD**

MCC First Innings—383 for 8 declared.

India—Tourists—1st Innings

Roy c Bailey b Hilton 62

Mantri, c Carr b Hilton 37

Umrigar, c Kln b Bailey 22

Hazare, b Laker 14

Ramchand, b Bailey 10

Sarwat, b Bailey 10

Adhikari, c Carr b Hilton 36

Mantri, not out 24

Gopinath, b Hilton 3

Divecha, not out 3

Extras 2

Total for 8 wks 214

**Bowling Analysis**

Statham 21 0 40

Bailey 17 2 28

Compton 16 4 45

Laker 26 8 50

Hilton 20 10 38

Kln 1 3

Extras 2

Reuter.



"Sugar Ray" Robinson and Randolph Tarpin, two of the coloured boxing parade.—Express Photo.

## HUNGER MAKES COLOURED BOYS THE WORLD'S BEST FIGHTERS

Says PETER WILSON

Anyone who was at the Empress Hall, Earle Court, when Billy Wells, the primeval teakman from the Gold Coast, battered Alf Danahar into gasping, blood-stained defeat, must have wondered (a) whether there is a native born welterweight who can possibly halt this primitive fighter's progress, and (b) how far the domination of coloured boxers in Britain is going.

Wells is a bigger, harder-punching, and cruder reproduction of Roy Ashraf. He does not at all fit into the modern boxing ring.

He is a throwback to the old days of bare-knuckle fighting when men stood toe-to-toe for 50, 60, 70 rounds and fights lasted anything up to three or four hours.

Wells claims no pretension to any known style—or, if he does, so, he is sadly mistaken—but he is as unsinkable as a cork and as hard to hurt as reinforced concrete.

**ANACHRONISTIC**

He stands there and takes anything which his opponent cares to throw at him until exhaustion

overwhelms the other fighter and the African can move in, to demolish the opposition with blows which would belt the wielder of a tomahawk or a man with a stone club, but which seem strangely anachronistic in the modern, more cosseted ring.

If Wells were a unique phenomenon he would be worthy of only passing mention, but boxing all over the world is now dominated as never before by coloured champions.

World title holders Jersey Joe Walcott (heavyweight), "Sugar" Ray Robinson (middleweight), Jimmy Carter (lightweight), and Sandy Saddler (featherweight), are all American Negroes—and most of their challengers are coloured men too.

In Britain the stream of Empire fighters, most from Africa or the West Indies, is ever increasing. In a recent week out of 78 bouts one in seven included coloured battlers.

Indeed, some of the smaller halls would be hard put to continue without the use of these superbly fit athletes.

And there is the explanation (for there is no intrinsic physical superiority among the coloured races). You rarely, if ever, see an untrained fighter, whereas the reverse is too often true of the white scrappers.

**THE GREATEST FORGE**

Hunger is the greatest forge of champion fighters. The whole history of the ring—particularly in that racial melting pot, America—proves this.

In the late eighteen and early nineteen-hundreds, when the poor Irish were immigrating in droves into the States, you had your John L. Sullivans, or Jim

Corbett, or the original Jack Dempsey (whose real name was John Kelly) or Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, (real name Hagan).

And if a boy was not really Irish he would take a fibernian monicker to add lustre to his name and inspire fear in the opposition.

Then with the mass migrations from Europe you had the era of your Italian, Jewish, German and Central European champions.

More recently the Mexicans, the Cubans (Kid Gavilan is recognised in America as the World Welterweight Champion), the Porto Ricans, the Filipinos have all come into their own in the ring.

At one stage or another all these emigrants have been poor, under-privileged, and ready to fight in the ring to improve the circumstances of their lives which have been a back-breaking struggle from the cradle to the grave.

That is why in these more enlightened days when no white youngster, either in Britain or America need starve, and when jobs generally speaking are more plentiful than ever before there is little incentive for a youth to enter what is still the hardest, and most ruthless of all athletic professions.

I say here and now that unless the youngsters are prepared to work as I have seen no native boxer work since the war, the domination of the coloured fighters—now, for the first time in the history of the ring, allowed to compete on a level—will not be checked.

It will, in fact, so increase that a white champion who holds any title open to all races will be an unbelievable rarity.

(—London Express Service)

## Grand Bowling By Fred Trueman

London, May 19.

Grand bowling by Fred Trueman, Yorkshire's 21-year-old answer to Australia's pace men, and some free scoring by Surrey featured the County cricket matches today.

On leave from the Royal Air Force, he followed his eight Somerset wickets in the previous match by claiming seven for 46 runs against Worcestershire today.

He kept back his first four victims in eight balls—all clean bowled. He then had Ceylon-born Quincey caught to take five wickets for five runs in 10 deliveries.

After a rest, Trueman came back to claim his two other wickets; one of them being clean bowled.

Worcestershire followed on but this time it was the spinners of Werdie which did the damage and shortly before stumps should have been drawn for the day Worcestershire were all out, a second time beaten by an innings. Werdie claimed six wickets for 15 runs.

### NOTICE

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Whitsun Race Meeting 1952 to be held on Saturday 31st May and Monday 2nd June, 1952, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Telephone House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 22nd May, 1952.

By Order,  
H. Misa,  
Secretary.

### NOTICE

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep on the Hong Kong Derby Saturday, 31st May, 1952.

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5, D'Agulhar St., Hong Kong or 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Over 600,000 tickets sold to date.

H. MISA,  
Secretary.

## So Sorry!

### Japan's First World Champion Boxer Bursts Into Tears

Tokyo, May 19.

Yoshio Shirai, 28, who today won the World Fly-weight Boxing Championship from Dado Marino, of Hawaii, in a 15-round bout, received the judges' decision bayling like a baby while hysterical fans mobbed the ring.

As a world title fight the bout was disappointing. There were no knock-downs and the only blood shed was a light cut over Marino's left eye, sustained in the 14th round.

Shirai refused to back away from the opening round, determined to take a chance against Marino's highly reputed left hook. He out-fought Marino in the 10th round there was no question as to who the new Champion would be.

**DIDN'T HAVE THE ZIP**

Marino told the United Press after the fight, "I just didn't have the zip."

Sam Ichinose, Marino's manager, said: "We have no alibis. We have no complaints about the judges' decision. Marino's timing was off."

The referee and two Judges were all Japanese. The judges' decision was 40 points for Shirai and 145 for Marino.

Ichinose said that a return bout would be fought within six months.

The fight's promoter, Ralph Yempuku, of Honolulu, refused to reveal the gate but observers estimated that it brought in

43,000,000 yen or approximately \$120,000.

#### CAUTIOUS START

The two fighters were cautious as the fight opened. Marino took the third and fourth rounds after the first two rounds had ended even. The fifth round was also even, but beginning with the sixth Shirai began beating Marino to the punch at close quarters.

When Marino failed to put Shirai away as the bell for the 10th round sounded there was little doubt that the Japanese would win.

Shirai smashed hard lefts and rights to Marino's head in the 11th round and landed a hard right to the head in the 12th that rocked Marino for the hardest punch in the fight.

Marino tried desperately for a knock-out in the last round, but Shirai was too good for him.—*United Press*.

#### BACHELOR GIRLS

The US Curtis cup team of seven bachelor girls are to have six days of practice at Muirfield near Edinburgh, before the match against Britain on June 6-7.

Two of them have played in England before—Dorothy Kirby, women's champion, and employee of a radio station, and Polly Riley, a bookkeeper in Fort Worth (Texas).

Maie Murray, daughter of a Scottish-born professional, and Patricia O'Sullivan are desk-clerks in a mid-southern resort.

Grace Demoss, youngest member, is at Oregon State College. Claire Doran has degrees from Western Reserve University and devotes part of her time to teaching, while Marjorie Lindsay represents the Country Club of Danbury (Conn.), where she lives.

## League Tennis

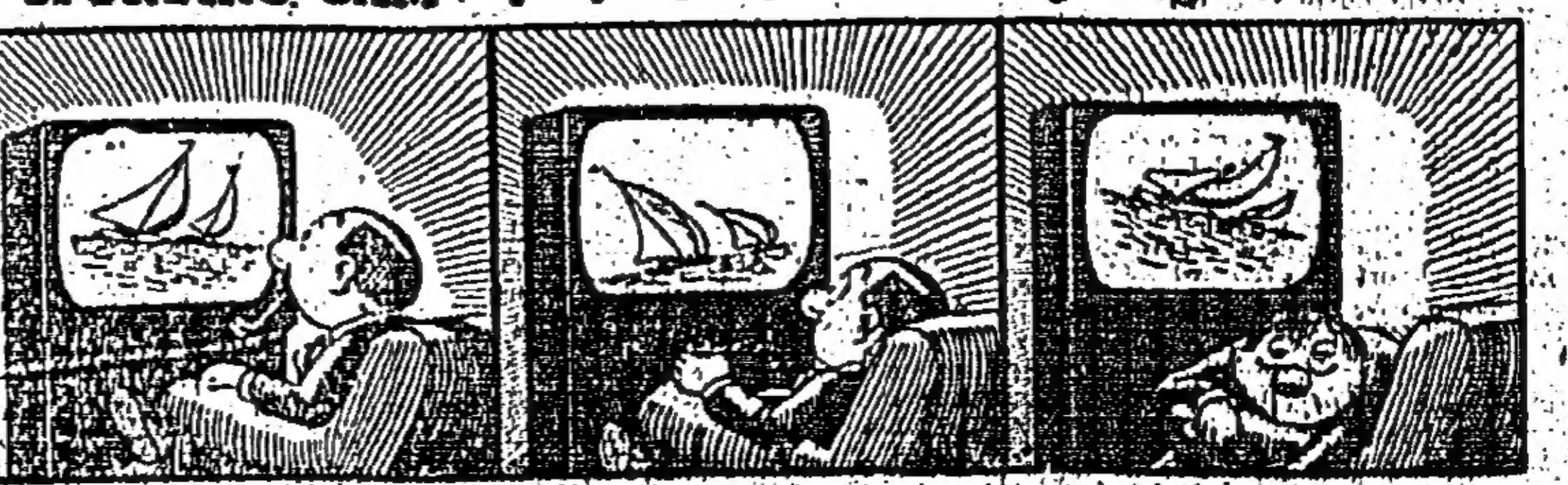
Calvergrove Cricket Club lost to Chinese Recreation Club in the Men's A Division Tennis League match yesterday. Joseph Hui and Y. M. Li (CCC) lost to W. P. Tai and L. C. Koleswally 2-6, lost to K. C. Bao and M. Chiu 3-6; Heat Wong Bai-wah and Choi Tin-wah 6-2.

R. O. Toker and E. Pereira lost to Tai and Koleswally 2-6, lost to Bao and Chiu 1-6; lost to Wong and Choi 2-6.

Li Tsou and W. Chow lost to Tai and Koleswally 3-6; lost to Bao and Chiu 2-6, beat Wong and Choi 6-4.

#### SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



## GEOFFREY ELLIOTT STARTS MOVING UP TO 14 FEET

Britain has made such progress in track athletics during the past few years, that she can now meet the best in the world on equal terms. In field events, though there is a different story.

It is true that great steps have been made here too, but the previous standard was so low that even bigger strides are needed.

One athlete out to the fore however, is Geoffrey Elliott, the 21-year-old science student, who, when he is not studying, likes to catapult himself thirteen feet into the air with a bamboo pole.

On Saturday, May 10, this twelve stone, faxon-haired six-footer cleared 13 ft. 3 1/2 in. at the London University Athletic Championships. This is the highest-ever pole vault achieved by a British-born athlete.

The previous best was four metres (13ft 1 1/2 in) set up by F. R. Webster, at the Berlin Olympic Games in 1936.

Pole vaulting is generally accepted as being 13ft 1 1/2 in, but in fact it is a fraction of an inch less. Geoffrey knew this when he requested the bar to be raised to that height.

**SET A POSER**

When he cleared it, the officials were set a poser. For after a record has been made, the height has to be carefully measured. But Geoffrey caught the officials unaware. They had no ladder tall enough to check the height. So two ladders had to be brought, and a pair of steps mounted on them.

Geoffrey is not solely a pole-vaulter. He is an all-round athlete, and is almost certain to compete in the Decathlon at the Olympic Games this year. At the LUAC Championships he showed his versatility by winning the Shot Put, and coming a close second in the High Hurdles.

Norman Grogan cleared 13 feet 6 inches last year, but this performance was not accepted as a British record as the approach run was found to be "downhill". Grogan's performance, however, is accepted as listed by track and field statisticians.

With the expert coach, Geoffrey Dyson, to advise him, he may yet achieve his ambition—becoming the first Briton to clear 14 feet.

(—London Express Service)



# THE 'CONNOLLY CIRCUS' HAS A WIMBLEDON PLAN

By FRED PERRY

Maureen Connolly, U.S. Tennis Champion, arrives in London on May 20, complete with entourage—it is quite an entourage, too. In addition to her mother, her coach, Eleanor Tennant, comes with her to supervise practice and training in this country.

Louise Brough, former Wimbledon Champion, is also coming to partner her in doubles and give assistance when necessary.

Miss Connolly who, at 17, finished like a meteor across the lawn tennis skies, won the United States championship last September. Since then little has been heard of her activities, for she has been polishing up the weaker points of her game.

Through the winter Miss Tennant has been working on her prodigy's volleying, a phase of her game which was unsatisfactory during the U.S. Championships.

In order to achieve this, Miss Tennant enlisted the services of Alice Marble, former Wimbledon champion. She and Louise Brough worked all through the winter with Maureen under the watchful eye of Miss Tennant.

Every move Maureen made on and off the court was supervised; every practice session was held with a definite object in view. Even her trip to England this year is part of a well-laid plan, and her preparations for her assault on the Wimbledon title are equally well thought out.

## ONE OBJECT

She is coming to England with one object—to win the women's singles at Wimbledon at her first attempt.

Nothing is to be allowed to interfere with that goal. She is not playing in the French championship. Wimbledon is played on grass, and all Maureen Connolly's experience, except for a few weeks in the

summer, is on concrete and clay courts, so she needs all the grass court practice she can get.

Hence their refusal to participate in the French championships, which are played on hard courts—even though the French title is one of the major ones of the world.

Let us examine some of the preparations which have been made. She is arriving a month ahead of time. She is going direct to Surbiton (Surrey), a week before their tournament starts, in order to get acclimated and get a practice on grass.

The courts at Surbiton are very good, but at this time of year bad weather is always likely, and there is nothing more difficult than trying to play good tennis on a wet or sticky grass court.

Bad conditions are great levellers in tennis, and a scrambling, mediocre player can often beat a good player. So Maureen Connolly is getting on to grass as soon as possible so she may be prepared for any kind of conditions.

Further advice has been received by the committee of the Surbiton tournament that they must have a plentiful supply of good men players so that they can be used in practice. In this way it gives Maureen plenty of opportunity to play against power and variety and she will be able to practice longer.

She will also have the tournament knowledge of Louise Brough in doubles and at all times—perhaps even most important—Miss Tennant's vast store of knowledge.

This is perhaps the most well-organised assault on the Wimbledon championship that has ever been launched. It will be interesting to see if it pays the dividends expected.

What a far cry from the preparations made for Miss Connolly, not only in England, but in her former years in the United States, are those afforded Britain's juniors.

(London Express Service)

## GEOFFREY COXHEAD IS THE NEW COLONY CHESS CHAMPION

By "WOODPUSHER"

Geoffrey S. Coxhead has won the Colony Open Chess Championship this year from a field of eight. Though starting badly with a half point only at the end of the first two rounds, when he drew with Johnny Carvalho after being a piece up and lost to Leon Schure, he won the remaining five rounds consecutively to carry off the trophy. His most interesting game was that against Karel Weiss in the sixth round.

The complete result is as follows:

G. S. Coxhead	5½ points
J. P. Carvalho	5
L. Schure	4½
S. B. Kho	3½
K. Weiss	3
J. V. Laine	2½
R. C. Danenberg	2½
Dr. G. A. Vollett	0

### NEVER NAPPING

A new chess champion of the old guard, Geoffrey Coxhead is an experienced and able player. His play on the whole is sound. He treats the opening with care and patience, the middle game with imagination and alertness, and only in the ending can one find a little room for improvement.

His success is largely dependent on his ability not to be caught napping. He opens with the king's pawn, white and prefers a lively and open game which makes for interesting chess. Noteworthy among Coxhead's previous performances is his winning of the City of Bombay Chess Championship in 1950.

The runner-up, Johnny Carvalho, is in common opinion a profound and brilliant player. He gives detailed attention to both combination and positional play. His game has come on very greatly and is likely to improve still further.

His target is to capture the trophy which was won by his father consecutively in 1938 and 1939. Every one of his

games has been full of fire and smoke, storming through complicated positions and skirting deeply laid traps. His thirst for trying out new ideas in chess makes his games interesting to watch and is a source of never-ending interest to kibitzers.

Leon Schure, last year's Colony Champion, plays a beautiful all round game and gives the impression of seeing all possibilities when in form. With the white pieces he plays his favourite English Opening with originality and skill.

There are few chinks in the armour of this strong player as he pays equal attention to his wings and centre. His game is always aggressive and daring but at times uneven and this spoiled his score on some occasions.

Schure produced more than his share of fine games in this tournament and was the only player to take a full point off Coxhead.

### CUT-AND-THRUST

Karel Weiss, a cut-and-thrust player with a very combinative mind, did not do well in this tournament. He is a very romantic player and one often sees him at his best in devilishly complicated positions. He is at all times a most dangerous opponent.

Ray Danenberg, the Club Champion, was badly off form. He is among the most orthodox of players in Hongkong but is sometimes unsettled by new ideas. A great expert on openings, he plays with great accuracy and precision, and it only he could be on better terms with his clock he would be a difficult man to beat.

Of the newcomers, J. B. Laine shows promise if he will study the game more. His victories over Johnny Carvalho and Karel Weiss in the current tournament offer an indication of his abilities.

S. B. Kho also did exceedingly well and we can expect greater opposition from this player in the coming season. He was responsible for the first upset of the tournament when he defeated Leon Schure.

Dr. G. A. Vollett has gained valuable experience this season which will no doubt greatly improve his performance next time.

## ON THE RECORD

### Woodpushers Now See The Seconds Ticking By

My old friend "Woodpusher," whose identity will be guessed at with some ease by the Colony's chess players, sums up—on the participants in the Colony Chess Championship in a neighbouring column.

On the new Colony Champion, G. S. Coxhead, he comments that an ability not to fall asleep won him the title. Karel Weiss, he reminds us, is a romantic player often at his best in devilishly complicated positions.

These comments call for further comment as it is just about meet and right that mention be made of the great games that Geoffrey Coxhead and Karel Weiss played each other in the era before the war.

It was not uncommon for the situation to become so devilishly complicated that the Peninsula

Hotel boys would resign themselves to yet another late night.

It was an age when kibitzers hung about till two o'clock in the morning and they were often awarded with some of the best witticisms that snap out of a mind suddenly released from deep concentration.

There was the early morning (2 or 3 a.m.) when the smoke of burning cigarettes had a thick fog about the room and Karel Weiss, some thought, would take either his shirt or his socks off next. Glasses and coffee cups were piled high on the adjoining tables and the ashtrays were heaped high with sodden cigarette ends.

Out of the corner of his eye that great warrior, Karel, espied one of the Hotel boys furtively sneaking into the room.

"WATER! WATER!" cried Karel.

Young Geoffrey Coxhead—that was a good 12 years ago—lighted one more cigarette and gave his opponent a very long and penetrating look.

"You don't mind my asking," he ventured. "But do you want to drink that water or would you rather have it thrown over you?"

The woodpushers of that era were a romantic lot. There was that giant Estonian, the late Alexander Kurrik, for many years Secretary of the Club, a man who invariably started the day with a Latin quotation. In a ticklish situation he would mutter to himself and it was always interesting to guess whether it would be in Estonian, German, Greek or Latin that he would finally announce to himself that he had made up his mind. Curiously enough, he never did that in English or Russian, the two other languages he spoke.

Then there was the late C. M. Sequeira, who gave up chess for some years after having acquired his house from attic to cellar in the dead of night in search of an intruder. He loved to tell the story. He had awakened in the early hours of the morning with the feeling that there was something amiss. Finding, after a thorough search, that there was no burglar in the house, he lay down again and got his analytic mind working on the problem of what had made him get up. In a flash he had put two and two together. He had dreamt that he was under check.

Who remembers that great little Filipino, the late Joe Grefalda, a guerrilla service of supply type in the late war, who would stalk up eight boards with the current position, the chess game, and simultaneously eight crushing rejoinders and stand back and admire the vast possibilities of chess.

And the late P. A. Yvanovich, the man who liked to follow his chess with a talk fest over curry and sate. When there was a twinkle in Mr Yvanovich's eye, that spelled doom for his opponents. Never a Champion, he had about him a way of pushing the wood into some of the most curious trapping positions and when the twinkle came the trap would start closing.

That great era, when a chess evening started at six o'clock and lasted to two in the morning is gone. The atomic age has finally caught up with Hongkong's chess world. Today there are clocks ticking all over the place, the ashtrays never pile up like they did and the Peninsula Hotel doesn't have to stockpile oranges to keep Karel Weiss's thirst assuaged.

Chess players today are an orderly lot and the game over, they trek home in time for dinner. No carry shop in Kowloon has a table reserved for them to walk in to five minutes before closing time and the old spirit of camaraderie that saw bankers, parsons and civil engineers push the bottle with soldiers and sailors, butchers and bakers and cabinet makers has yet to be resurrected.

### "RECORDER"

#### Vic Dyrgall Wins The Yonkers Marathon

Yonkers, N.Y., May 19. Vic Dyrgall, a distance runner of the Millrose A.A., New York, won the Yonkers Marathon yesterday and thereby clinched a spot for himself on the United States Olympic marathon team. Dyrgall, who won this event two years ago and was the first American to finish in the Boston Marathon this year, won the 26-mile, 385-yard grind after taking the lead at the 21-mile mark. He was timed in two hours 38 minutes and 20 seconds. Associated Press.

## BRITAIN WINS

### DAVIS CUP MATCH 3-2

Belgrade, May 19. Britain beat Yugoslavia by three rubbers to two in their second round tie of the Davis Cup European Zone today and will meet Italy in the next stage.

Geoff Pugh was unable to play for Britain today because of an injured ankle sustained on Saturday and his place was taken by young Roger Becker, who thereby made his debut in Davis Cup play.

He was beaten in the day's first Singles after a hard struggle but Tony Mottram won the decider to give Britain their pass into the next round. Each side had won a Singles on Saturday and Britain took the Doubles yesterday.

### THE SCORES

Today's results were: Vladimir Petrovich (Yugoslavia) beat Roger Becker (Britain) 6-1, 2-6, 6-2, 6-1, and Tony Mottram (Britain) beat Joset Pallada (Yugoslavia) 6-3, 7-5, 6-2.

Playing at Lausanne, Argentina completed the route of Switzerland in their second round European Zone Davis Cup tie when they won the two remaining singles for a 5-0 win.

Argentina meets France in the next round.

In today's matches Salvador Soriano beat Paul Blondell 6-2, 6-2, 6-2, and Alejo Russell defeated Jost Spilzer 6-2, 6-8, 6-2, 6-1.—Reuter.

## French Horses

### Lead In Derby Callover

London, May 19.

French horses continue to head the betting on the Epsom Derby, British classic race being run on May 28.

At the Victoria Club callover here tonight five of the first six horses called were French. Silnet is now clear favourite at seven to one, with his stable companion, Thunderbolt, beaten in the French 2,000 Guineas at Longchamps yesterday, now at 10 to one.

At the previous callover they were joint favourites. Silnet, M. Paul Boussoe's Argur (he also owns Silnet), third best at 100 to nine, and the American-owned but French-trained horse Worden II, were all backed to win £14,000.

The Aga Khan's Tulyar, the first British-trained runner quoted, was also brightly backed in a fairly busy session. After being supported to win £18,000, Tulyar closed fourth favourite at 100 to seven.

Two British-trained outsiders, Postman's Path and Chavey Down, attracted general bid wagers at long odds. Chavey Down, winner of the Newmarket Stakes last week, was reported to have been backed to win £23,000.

### THE BETTING

Prices on offer at the end of the session were:  
7 to 1 Silnet.  
10 to 1 Thunderhead II.  
100 to 8 Argur.  
100 to 7 Tulyar.  
100 to 6 Worden II.  
20 to 1 Faubourg II.  
22 to 1 Torcorosa and Bob Major.  
25 to 1 Gay Time.  
28 to 1 Postman's Path.  
33 to 1 Chavey Down and La Varenne.  
40 to 1 Marzayad, Avatari II, Monarch, Khor Mousa and Indigne Hump.  
The next callover is on Wednesday, May 21.—Reuter.

## Yolande Pompee

### To Fight Jimmy Slade

London, May 19.

Jimmy Slade, New York, was signed today to meet Yolande Pompee, unbeaten Trinidad lightweight, in a 10-round bout at London's White City Stadium on June 10.

This will be the main supporting fight on a card topped by a British lightweight title bout between Champion Don Cockell and Andy Turpin, former World Middleweight Champion. Pompee and Slade came into prominence on the same fight-show in London.

Pompee knocked out Dave Sando of Australia in seven rounds and Slade punctured Cockell's world title buildup by pounding him into submission in four rounds.—Associated Press.

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KOWLOON.

## Hongkong's Badminton Fans May Not Have Another Such Chance

By "ARGONAUT"

The next challenge tie or final round of the Thomas Cup International Badminton Final may not be held in Malaya even though Malaya should retain the title at this year's final scheduled to be played at Singapore on May 31 and June 1.

In a circular by the International Badminton Federation a proposal was made that a discussion be held on the regulation that the holders of the Thomas Cup should continue to defend the title in their own country until defeated.

It has been suggested that a change be made in this ruling to provide that any nation which shall win the Thomas Cup on foreign courts shall be entitled to defend it in the next competition in its own country, as at present, but that if the same nation be then again successful the next challenge tie shall take place in some other country to be determined by the Committee of Management.

### THE REASONS

One reason advanced for the necessity of this change of

the complete result is as follows:

G. S. Coxhead . . . 5½ points  
J. P. Carvalho . . . 5  
L. Schure . . . 4½  
S. B. Kho . . . 3½  
K. Weiss . . . 3  
J. V. Laine . . . 2½  
R. C. Danenberg . . . 2½  
Dr. G. A. Vollett . . . 0

A new chess champion of the old guard, Geoffrey Coxhead is an experienced and able player. His play on the whole is sound. He treats the opening with care and patience, the middle game with imagination and alertness, and only in the ending can one find a little room for improvement.

His success is largely dependent on his ability not to be caught napping. He opens with the king's pawn, white and prefers a lively and open game which makes for interesting chess. Noteworthy among Coxhead's previous performances is his winning of the City of Bombay Chess Championship in 1950.

The runner-up, Johnny Carvalho, is in common opinion a profound and brilliant player. He gives detailed attention to both combination and positional play. His game has come on very greatly and is likely to improve still further.

His target is to capture the trophy which was won by his father consecutively in 1938 and 1939. Every one of his

games has been full of fire and smoke, storming through complicated positions and skirting deeply laid traps. His thirst for trying out new ideas in chess makes his games interesting to watch and is a source of never-ending interest to kibitzers.

Leon Schure, last year's Colony Champion, plays a beautiful all round game and gives the impression of seeing all possibilities when in form. With the white pieces he plays his favourite English Opening with originality and skill.

There are few chinks in the armour of this strong player as he pays equal attention to his wings and centre. His game is always aggressive and daring but at times uneven and this spoiled his score on some occasions.

Schure produced more than his share of fine games in this tournament and was the only player to take a full point off Coxhead.

Of the newcomers, J. B. Laine shows promise if he will study the game more. His victories over Johnny Carvalho and Karel Weiss in the current tournament offer an indication of his abilities.

S. B. Kho also did exceedingly well and we can expect greater opposition from this player in the coming season. He was responsible for the first upset of the tournament when he defeated Leon Schure.

Dr. G. A. Vollett has gained valuable experience this season which will no doubt greatly improve his performance next time.

## Wales Arranges More Soccer Internationals

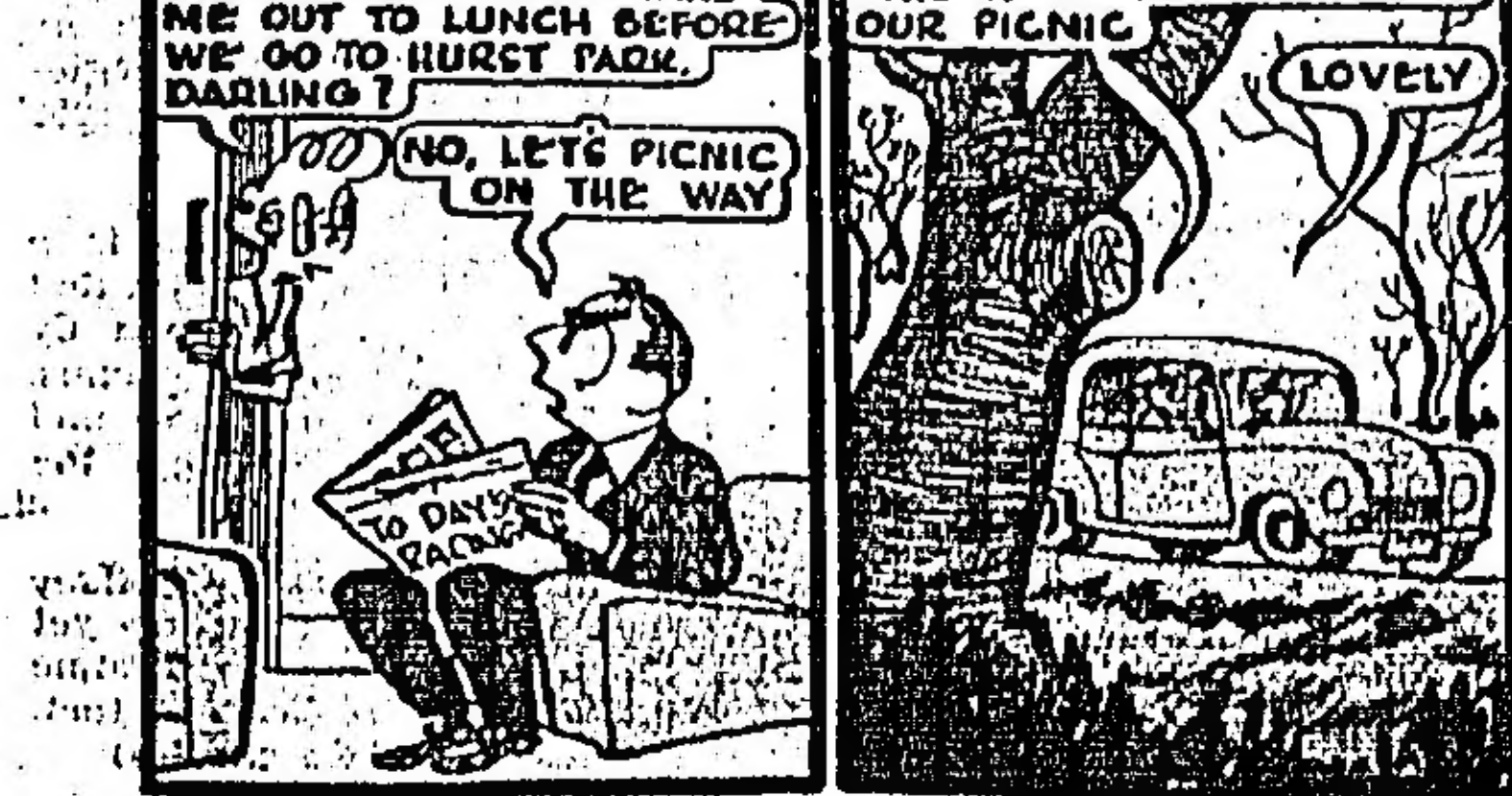
Cardiff, May 19.

Wales have arranged international soccer matches next season with France in Paris on May 14 and with Yugoslavia in Belgrade on May 21.

They may also play a match early in the season against the Indian footballers who are taking part in the Olympic Games.

The Welsh Football Association stated today that they are also hoping to stage more games with Austria next April and with France at some future date.—Reuter.

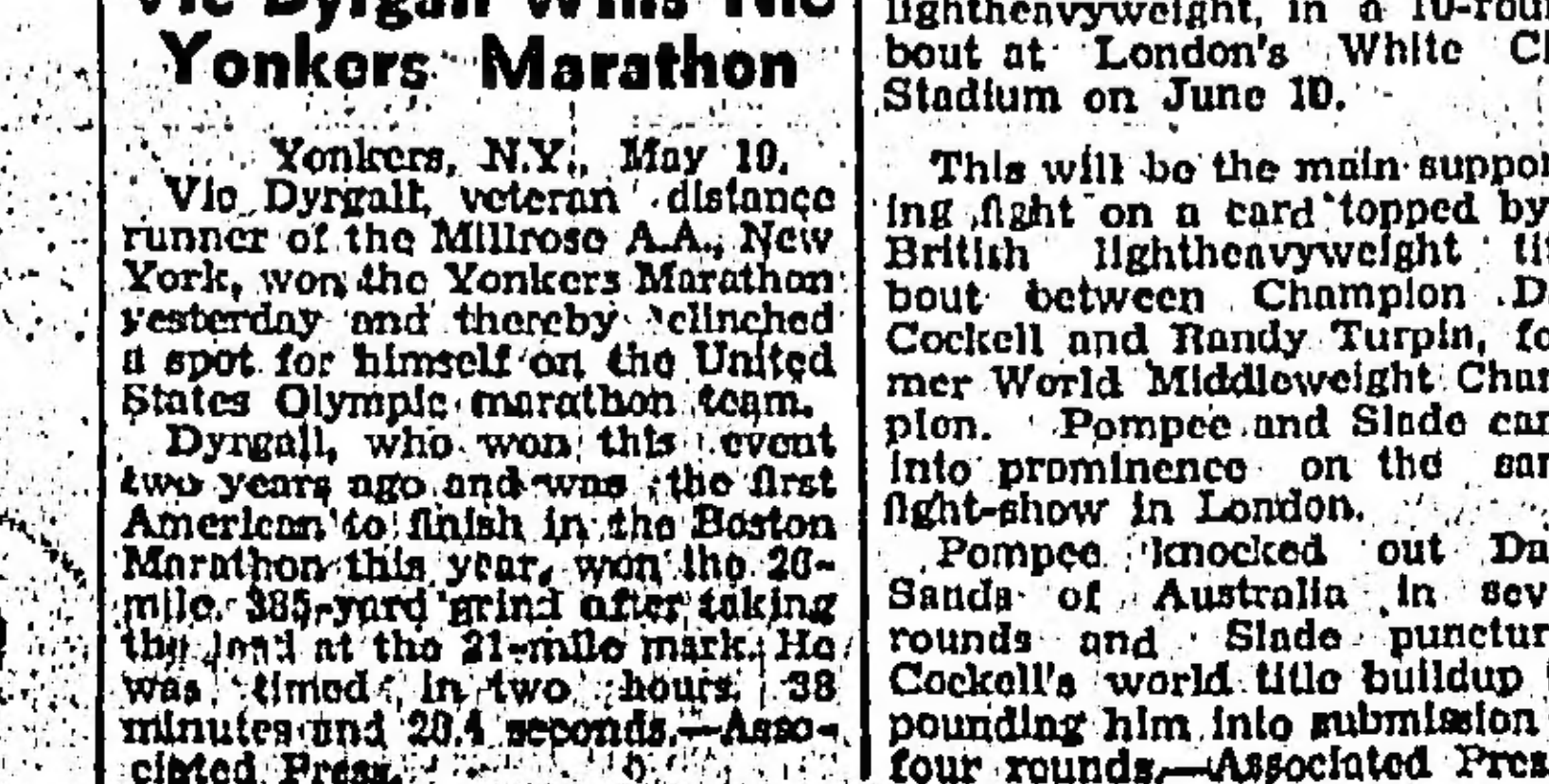
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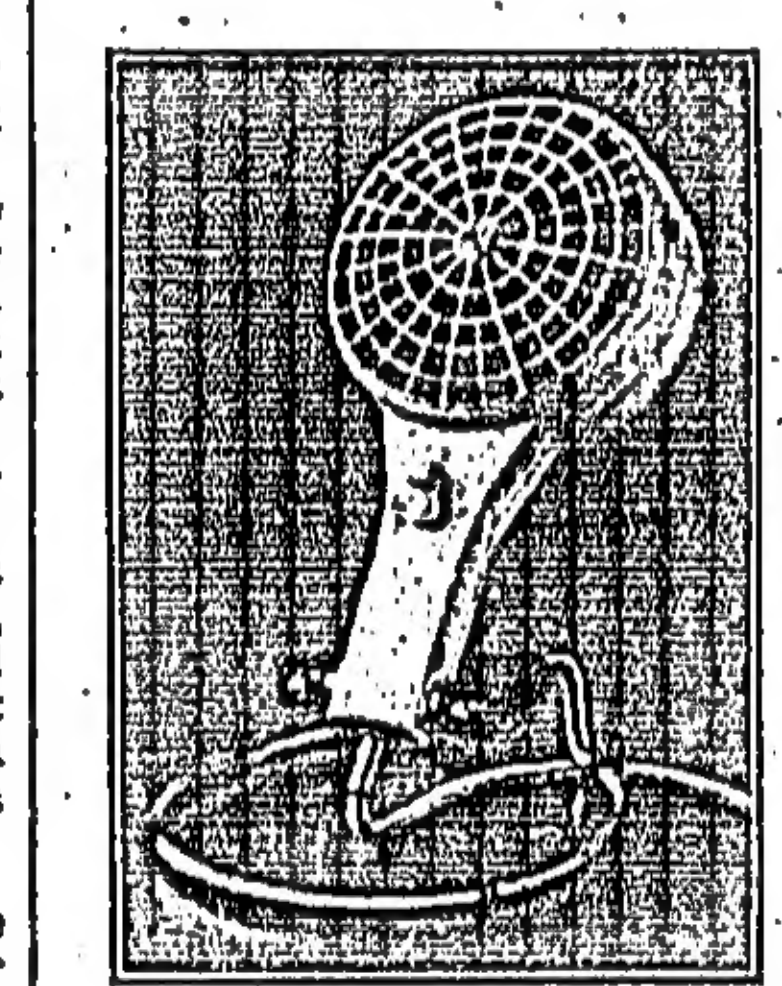
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## Giro d'Italia

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Prices closed as follows:—

Spot	40.00 nominal
July	39.75-39.75
October	39.75-39.75
December	39.75-39.75
March	39.75-39.75
May	39.75-39.75
July	39.75-39.75
October	39.75-39.75

## New York Sugar Futures

New York, May 19.  
World sugar futures closed today 1 to 4 higher with sales totalling 104 contracts.

Contract No. 6 closed unchanged to 1 lower with sales totalling 27 contracts.

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May	4.25
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## Lancashire Textile Industry Has Two Distinct Problems To Solve

(By RONALD BOXALL)

London.

The British cotton industry has two distinct problems to solve. Its immediate concern is with the stocks that have accumulated since the onset of the recession. Until these begin to flow again through the "pipeline" to the consumer the industry must remain in its present depressed state.

Already, more than 20,000 cotton operatives have left the industry to seek more secure employment in other jobs. Another 100,000—nearly a third of the entire labour force—are wholly or partly unemployed.

The situation, however, is even worse than these figures suggest, for the workers who are best equipped to take up other employment are those the industry can least afford to lose. Rather than risk the loss of these key-workers many mills have maintained production at the highest possible level compatible with financial security.

But there is an obvious limit to the length of the time the industry can go on adding to its stocks. Many manufacturers and merchants in need of additional capital to finance their heavy inventories of unsold cloth are finding it increasingly difficult to get accommodation from the banks.

Fortunately, however, the industry is in a far better position today to finance itself through a period of depression than it was during the disastrous "pre-war" slump. But it cannot go on much longer tying up its capital reserves in high-priced stock.

Unsupplies begin to move very shortly many members of the industry will be threatened with bankruptcy.

Nobody in Lancashire pretends to have the full answer to this immediate problem. Consumers have convinced themselves that prices cannot be forced to fall, and they cannot be forced to buy. The cotton industry therefore has a strong case for any help the Government can give.

Its arguments are difficult to refute. It points out, for instance, that of the three essential needs of life—food, shelter and clothing—the latter is the only one not subsidised by the Government. On the contrary, it is heavily taxed.

But whatever solution is found to the short-term problem of slow sales and mounting stocks—and very few people, even in Lancashire, believe the abolition of purchase tax would do more than create the right psychological atmosphere for resumption of buying—even greater difficulties await the cotton industry in the future.

ONE CERTAINTY  
Only one thing is certain. The industry can never again hope to sell its products as easily as it has done in the past five or six years.

There have been drastic changes in the pattern of world trade in cotton goods since the outbreak of the war. In 1913, Lancashire exported 7,000 million yards of cotton textiles. Ten years later, its exports were 4,500 million yards. From then on, they declined steadily year by year until, in 1933, they were down to 1,000 million yards.

Since the last war, despite the opportunities offered by the sale of world demand, exports from Lancashire have been the lowest for more than 100 years.

This decline in Lancashire's exports has coincided with an equally striking expansion of world production of cotton goods. From 1910 to 1950 world production of cotton textiles increased from 27,000 million yards to 40,000 million yards. But during this period world exports declined from 8,500 million yards to 5,500 million yards. Thus Lancashire's share of world trade in cotton textiles has shrunk from nearly 60 per cent in 1910 to less than 15 per cent in 1950.

Britain will never regain some of the markets it lost over the past 40 years. India, once the main market for Lancashire's best export, is rapidly making itself independent of imported cotton textiles. In 1950, exports of British cotton piece-goods to India amounted to 778 million square yards; by 1950 they were down to only seven million square yards. Canada and Ceylon are also shrinking markets for Lancashire's products.

OTHER OUTLETS  
This loss of export markets has been partly offset, however, by an increasing demand for British cotton goods in other Commonwealth countries. Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Pakistan, and the Colonial Empire are now among Lancashire's most valuable export markets.

In order to maintain and develop its position as a major exporting industry, Lancashire must therefore strengthen its ties with the Commonwealth. The industry believes, however, that this cannot be done until Britain adheres to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which has already yielded away 60 per cent of the advantages enjoyed by British exporters in Commonwealth markets.

The leaders of the industry are rapidly coming round to the view that only a tightening of import preferences can now arrest the declining trend of cotton exports. At the same time, they believe that the threat

of foreign competition would be greatly minimised if trade could be re-opened between Japan and China.

I found very few people who believe that an answer to the export problem can be found in an expansion of markets beyond the Iron Curtain. The industry is sceptical about the recent Russian and Chinese offers to purchase large quantities of British cotton textiles. Some trade unionists are inclined to regard them as the answer to the industry's prayers, but the general opinion is that they were made for their propaganda value and not out of any concern for the British industry's well-being.

WONDERING WHY  
In Nelson, one of the largest weaving centres in Britain, opinion is divided about the value of Mr Sydney Silverman's initiative in this respect. Mr Silverman, the Socialist M. P. for this division, attended the recent International Economic Conference in Moscow, and called of cloth the Communists were said to be interested in buying.

Local manufacturers immediately despatched samples of the cloth required—but not with any great faith in the veracity of the Communists' offer. They are still awaiting a reply, and wondering why, if the Communists are so anxious to do business, they have persistently turned down Lancashire's offers of cheap textiles.

But if manufacturers and merchants have still to be convinced of the good faith of the Communist offers, there are many who have taken them at their face value. The leader of the weavers' trade union in Nelson told me that the workers were "100 per cent behind Mr Silverman."

So that as it may, Lancashire's future lies in its ability to deal with its own domestic problems. Mr Ernest Thornton, secretary of the United Textile Factory Workers' Association—an amalgamation of seven trade unions, representing every section of the cotton industry—holds strong views on the steps Lancashire must now take to put its house in order.

In a blunt statement, he has told the Association's 120,000 members: "It will be necessary for our spinning and weaving industry to demonstrate that they can produce in continuous quantities the right type of yarns and cloths at reasonably competitive prices. There will be no high margins here. Likewise, the finishing section of the industry, in co-operation with the other sections, will have to be prepared to reduce (not increase) its charges for printing etc. The problem as a whole is difficult and urgent. It is a serious challenge to the whole industry."

EFFECTIVE ACTION  
Fortunately, the industry has already gone part of the way towards meeting this challenge. One of the results of the recent campaign to make the industry more attractive to workers was the introduction, on a large scale, of modern working methods. More and more mills are applying a system of employment and the results have shown up spectacularly in some concerns.

According to a report by the Cotton Manufacturing Commission, set up by the Minister of Labour in 1949, the introduction of redeployment in a number of weaving mills resulted in an increase in productivity of no less than 60 per cent. This was coupled with a 40 per cent increase in operative earnings, and a 20 per cent reduction in production costs.

Other mills, including some of those which I visited, have experienced similarly encouraging results from the introduction of redeployment working methods. The idea is spreading, and the Cotton Board, the central organisation of the industry, has done valuable work in promoting its application throughout Lancashire.

But more remains to be done before the cotton industry can consider itself safe from foreign competition.

Despite the investment of £200 million in new machinery since the war, much of the plant is now in Lancashire is outdated. There are deficiencies in quality, being remedied, but the present recession has tended to slow

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

There was a considerable slump in business on the Stock Exchange this morning, 1952-53, 400,000 worth of shares changing hands. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:—

SHARES: 141  
INSURANCES: 141  
Utilities: 141  
Banking: 141  
Shipping: 141  
Land: 141  
Electric: 141  
Telephones: 141  
Industrials: 141  
Cottons: 141

## LONDON TIN MARKET

London, May 19.  
The tin market opened firm with turnover only 40 tons, all for forward positions. Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:—

Spot tin, buyers: 903  
Spot tin, sellers: 903  
Business done at: 903  
Three-months tin, buyers: 903  
Three-months tin, sellers: 903  
Business done at: 903  
Settlement: 903

## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per £1): 1.50  
Sterling (per \$1): 0.65  
Indonesian guilders (per £1): 1.50  
Singapore dollars (per £1): 1.50  
Ceylon rupees (per £1): 1.50

## Pepper Market

New York, May 19.  
The pepper market ruled quiet and firm today with spot indicated nominally at \$1.22 a pound. Dealers quoted sublots at around \$1.20. May sublot \$1.22, and June \$1.20 to \$1.21 a pound, all on an ex-dock basis.

## Foreign Exchanges In NY

New York, May 19.

Canada: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
England: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Australia: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
New Zealand: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
South Africa: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Belgium: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Denmark: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
France: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Germany: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Italy: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Netherlands: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Norway: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Portugal: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Spain: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Sweden: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Switzerland: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Middle East: 1.00 = 23.50/10  
Japan: 1.00 = 23.50/10

## Grain Prices In Chicago

Chicago, May 19.

Prices of grain futures closed today as follows:—

Wheat—price per bushel  
Spot: 2.40-2.40  
July: 2.40-2.40  
September: 2.40-2.40  
December: 2.40-2.40  
March: 2.40-2.40  
Corn: 1.00-1.00  
Spot: 1.00-1.00  
July: 1.00-1.00  
September: 1.00-1.00  
December: 1.00-1.00  
March: 1.00-1.00  
Soybeans: 1.00-1.00  
Spot: 1.00-1.00  
July: 1.00-1.00  
September: 1.00-1.00  
December: 1.00-1.00  
March: 1.00-1.00  
New York: 1.00-1.00  
Chicago: 1.00-1.00  
United Press.

## The Rubber Markets

London, May 19.

Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, in pence  
Spot: 25.50-25.50  
July: 25.50-25.50  
September: 25.50-25.50  
October/December: 25.50-25.50  
January/March: 25.50-25.50  
Singapore Market: 25.50-25.50  
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, per lb.  
Spot: 88-88  
July: 88-88  
August: 88-88  
Number 2 rubber, June: 88-88  
Number 3 rubber, June: 88-88  
Number 4 rubber, June: 88-88  
Spot rubber, unbleached: 88-88  
Blanket crepe: 88-88  
No. 1 para crepe: 88-88  
United Press.

## JAPANESE BONDS

London, May 19.

Japanese bonds "A" (4s. of 1899) 77  
"B" (4s. of 1910) 62 1/2  
"C" (5s. of 1907) 123  
"D" (5s. of 1934) 80  
"E" (5s. of 1934) 130  
Consols: 80 1/2  
United Press.

## Silver Price Down

London, May 19.

Prices of silver bullion were lowered 3/4 to 3 1/2 pence for both spot and forward. United Press.

## New York Sugar

New York, May 19.

World sugar futures closed today 1 to 4 higher with sales totalling 104 contracts.

Contract No. 6 closed unchanged to 1 lower with sales totalling 27 contracts.

Contract No. 4 (war) 4.25 bid

May	4.25
July	4.25
September	4.25
November	4.25
January	4.25
March	4.25
May	4.25
July	4.25
September	4.25
November	4.25
January	4.25
March	4.25
May	4.25

## ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

SAILINGS TO

"TUKAMPEK"	May 25	Saigon, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"BUYS"	May 29	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	June 9	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	June 16	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	June 23	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	July 7	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	July 14	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	July 21	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	July 28	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	Aug. 4	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	Aug. 11	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	Aug. 18	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	Aug. 25	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	Sept. 1	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	Sept. 8	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

ARRIVALS FROM

"TUKAMPEK"	May 25	Japan
"BUYS"	May 29	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	June 9	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
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"TUKAMPEK"	June 23	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUKAMPEK"	July 7	Singapore, Penang, Djakarta, Tjrahon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
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General Agents:

## HOLLAND-EST ASIA LINE

SAILING TO EUROPE

"AAGTERKERK"	June 12	Europe
"BLITZER"	July 1	Europe
"ALBRECHT"	Sept. 7	Europe
"AAGTERKERK"	Sept. 7	Europe

SAILING FROM EUROPE

"BLITZER"	Sailed Apr. 20	Europe
"AAGTERKERK"	July 1	Europe
"ALBRECHT"	Sept. 7	Europe
"AAGTERKERK"	Sept. 7	Europe

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